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# MASONS

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OF THE

MOST WORSHIPFUL

# GRAND LODGE

OF ANCIENT, FREE AND ACCEPTED MASONS

OF

# NOVA SCOTIA

At Special Communications held at Digby on Friday, June 25, 1909. At Dartmouth on Thursday, August 5, 1909. At Windsor on Wednesday, August 25, 1909. At Louisburg on Tuesday, November 9, 1909. At Dartmouth on Tuesday, December 14, 1909.

AND AT THE

FORTY-FIFTH ANNUAL COMMUNICATION.

Held at Wolfville, commencing Wednesday, June 8th.

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OFFICE OF GRAND SECRETARY,
FREEMASONS' HALL, HALIFAX, June, 1910.

At the Annual Communication of the Grand Lodge of Ancient, Free and Accepted Masons of Nova Scotia, held in Wolfville, on Wednesday, 8th June, A. L. 5910, the following were elected officers for the ensuing year :—

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| M. W. Bro. | WILLIAM MARSHALL BLACK, 2 | Grand Master | *Wolfville.* |
| R. W. " | ROBERT FREDERICK MERLIN, 1 | Deputy Grand Master | *Halifax.* |
| R. W. " | WELSFORD D. MACKAY, 19 | Senior G. Warden | *North Sydney.* |
| R. W. " | WILLIAM HENRY SOPER, 17 | Junior Grand Warden | *Halifax.* |
| R. W. " | JOHN MACALONEY, 6 | Grand reasurer | " |
| R. W. " | THOMAS MOWBRAY, 3 | Grand Secretary | " |
| R. W. " | JOHN C GASS, 6 | Grand Lecturer | " |
| R. W. " | REV FREDERICK M. YOUNG, 67 | Grand Chaplain | *Parrsboro.* |
| V. W. " | LOUIS W. SLEEP, 20 | Senior Grand Deacon | *Wolfville.* |
| V. W. " | FREDERICK B. DAY, M. D., 77 | Junior Grand Deacon | *Thorburn.* |
| V. W. " | GEORGE W. CONWAY, 23 | Grand S. of Works | *Stellarton.* |
| V. W. " | JOHN J. KINLEY, 4 | Grand D. of Ceremonies | *Lunenburg.* |
| V. W. " | HENRY C. LESLIE, 42 | Grand Sword Bearer | *Sheet Harbor.* |
| V. W. " | THOS. W. PUBLICOVER, 7 | Grand Organist | *Sydney.* |
| V. W. " | RUFUS C. FORD, 29 | Grand Pursuivant | *Milton.* |
| V. W. " | JAMES CRAIGIE, 7 | Grand Steward | *Sydney.* |
| V. W. " | WILLIAM DUNSMORE, 75 | " | *Oxford.* |
| V. W. " | ROBERT A. BRUCE, 30 | " | *Shelburne.* |
| V. W. " | WILLIAM C. NICKERSON, 2 | " | *Halifax.* |
| V. W. " | JOHN R MCAULAY, 36 | " | *Port Morien.* |
| V. W. " | WILLIAM H. SMITH, 16 | " | *Bear River.* |
| V. W. " | JOHN EDWARD WEBSTER, 38 | Grand Tyler | *Halifax.* |

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John B. Douglas, 2
C. E. Puttner, 3.
H. P. Bezanson, 6.
John D. Grant, 10.
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J. Fred Edwards, 15.
William H. Soper, 17.
R. W. Bro. R. F. Merlin, *D. G. Master.*
R. W. Bro. Thomas Mowbray, *G. S.*
James R. Johnston, 18.
M. McF. Hall, 38.
Frank W. Russell, 51.

## APPOINTED BY GRAND MASTER.

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| No 1. | R. W. BRO. | WILLIAM J. DICKSON, 15, | D. D. G. Master | *Halifax.* |
| " 2. | " " | ALFRED D PAYZANT, 28, | " " | *Canning.* |
| " 3. | " " | WILLIAM CECIL HARRIS, M.D., 65 | " " | *Brighton.* |
| " 4. | " " | ROBERT S. MACKAY, 31. | " " | *Yarmouth.* |
| " 5. | " " | W. H. MACDONALD, M.D., 81 | " " | *Rose Bay.* |
| " 6. | " " | JOHN W. LOGAN, 43, | " " | *Truro.* |
| " 7. | " " | SAMUEL EASTWOOD, 5, | " " | *New Glasgow.* |
| " 8. | " " | WILLIAM A. MORGAN, 79, | " " | *Canso.* |
| " 9. | " " | MARTIN B. DICKENSON, 84, | " " | *Sydney.* |

# PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

# Grand Lodge of Nova Scotia

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## SPECIAL COMMUNICATION.

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A Special Communication of the Most Worshipful the Grand Lodge of Ancient, Free and Accepted Masons of Nova Scotia was held in Freemasons Hall, Digby, on Friday, June 25, 1909, for the purpose of laying the Corner Stone of the New Court House for the Municipality of Digby.

PRESENT:

M. W. Bro. WILLIAM MARSHALL BLACK.....Grand Master.
R. W. " WILLIAM CROWE.....Deputy G. Master.
R. W. " W. MEDFORD CHRISTIE.....As. S. G. Warden.
R. W. " EDGAR J. VICKERY.....J. G. Warden.
R. W. " WAYLAND E. READ.....D. D. Grand Master.
R. W. " A. J. MORRISON.....As. Grand Treasurer.
R. W. " THOMAS MOWBRAY.....Grand Secretary.
W. " H. B. SHORT.....As. Grand Lecturer.
R. W. " REV. WILLIAM DRIFFIELD.....Grand Chaplain.
V. W. " W. J. DICKSON.....S. G. Deacon.
V. W. " G. A. SLAWENWHITE.....J. G. Deacon.
W. " CLARENCE JAMESON.....As. G. Pursuivant.
W. " H. L. DENNISON.....As. G. S. of Works.

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W. Bro. PETER MACFARLANE...As. G. D. of Ceremonies.
W. " E. DUVERNET, M. D.....As. Grand Steward.
W. " JOHN H. CHARLTON..... " "
W. " HARRY E. JONES..... " "
R. W. " CHAS. R. BARR ..... " "
W. " J. POTTER } Bible Bearers.
W. " C. C. ARCHIBALD }
W. " LOUIS H. MORSE, M. D.....Constitution Bearer.
W. " W. B. STARRATT.....G. Sword Bearer.
W. " J. EDWARD WEBSTER.....Grand Tyler.

Grand Lodge was opened in Ample Form and with prayer by the Grand Chaplain, and Master Masons in good standing and properly vouched for, were admitted.

A procession was then formed and marched to the site of the new building where the Corner Stone was laid with full ceremonies after which the procession was reformed and marched back to the Hall, and Grand Lodge closed in Ample Form and with prayer by Grand Chaplain.

THOMAS MOWBRAY,
*Grand Secretary.*

# PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

# Grand Lodge of Nova Scotia.

## SPECIAL COMMUNICATION,

A Special Communication of Grand Lodge was held in Freemason's Hall, Dartmouth, on Thursday, August 5, 1909, for the purpose of laying the Corner Stone of the new Building about to be erected by Eastern Star Lodge No. 51, for Masonic purposes.

PRESENT:

M. W. Bro. W. MARSHALL BLACK.....Grand Master.
R. W. " WILLIAM CROWE.....Deputy G. Master.
R. W. " D. A. THOMPSON, D. D. G. M..As. S. G. Warden.
R. W. " J. R. BENNETT, P. G. L.....As. J. G. Warden.
R. W. " JOHN MACALONEY.....Grand Treasurer.
R. W. " THOMAS MOWBRAY.....Grand Secretary.
R. W. " J. DUNCAN GRANT.....Grand Lecturer.
M. W. " THOMAS TRENAMAN.....As. Grand Chaplain.
W. " NEIL ALEXANDER.....As. S. G. Deacon.
" " A. M. STUART.....As. J. G. Deacon.
" " ROBERT BLAIR.....G. S. of Works.
" " P. A. FREEMAN.....G. D. of Ceremonies.
" " W. H. SOPER.....As. G. Sword Bearer.

W. Bro. GEORGE ROACHE.....As. G. Pursuivant.
" " CHAS. BILLINGTON.....G. Steward.
" " J. W. FARQUHARSON..... "
" " FRED ROGERS.....As. Grand Steward.
" " W. G. MacNab..... " "
" " JOHN S. MISENER..... " "
" " JOHN EDWARD WEBSTER.....Grand Tyler.
" " JOHN B. COLEMAN } Bible Bearers.
" " W. H. STERNS }
" " J. FRANK CROWE.....Constitution Bearer.

Grand Lodge was opened in Ample Form, and with prayer by the Acting Grand Chaplain at eleven o'clock in the forenoon.

All Master Masons properly vouched for were admitted. A procession was then formed under the direction of V. W. Bro. P. A. Freeman, G. D. of Ceremonies, and headed by the Band of the Royal Canadian Regiment marched to the site of the new building, where the Corner Stone was laid with full Masonic Ceremonies and in Strict Conformity with ancient usage.

The Grand Master expressed his pleasure at being supported by such a large number of Past Grand Officers and members of the craft generally on this auspicious occasion.

Grand Lodge was reformed in procession and marched back to the Lodge room of Eastern Star Lodge, and was closed in Ample Form and with prayer by the Acting Grand Chaplain.

THOMAS MOWBRAY,
*Grand Secretary.*

# PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

# Grand Lodge of Nova Scotia

## Special Communication.

A Special Communication of Grand Lodge was held at Windsor, on Wednesday, August 25th, 1909, at two o'clock in the afternoon for the purpose of Dedicating the Nova Scotia Freemasons' Home.

PRESENT.

M. W. Bro. W. Marshall Black.....Grand Master.
R. W. Bro. William Crowe.....Deputy G. Warden.
" " James C. Lloy, P.S.G.W. As. S. G. Warden.
" " G. W. Graham Bonner ...As. J. G. Warden.
" " John MacAloney. .....Grand Treasurer.
" " Thomas Mowbray.....Grand Secretary.
" " W. Medford Christie ....As. Grand Lecturer.
W. " Rev. Robert Johnston....As. Grand Chaplain.
V. W. " William J. Dickson .....S. Grand Deacon.
" " Geo. A. Slawenwhite....J. Grand Deacon.
" " Joshua L. Corbett.....As. G. S. of Works.
" " William H. Soper .....As. G. D. of Ceremonies.
" " Henry J. Chute .....G. Sword Bearer.
" " Rev. E. W. Florence.....Grand Organist.

V. W. Bro. J. W. Farquharson.....As. Grand Pursuivant.
" " Chas. T. Billington .....Grand Stewart.
" " J. Edwin Sterns .....As. Grand Steward.
" " Theo. Zwicker ..... " "
" " George Roache..... " "
" " R. R. Kennedy..... " "
" " John C. Gass..... " "
" " J. Edward Webster .....Grand Tyler.
R. W. Bro. Ingram B. Oakes } ....Bible Bearers.
" " Chas. E. Puttner }
" " Thomas Lownds.....Constitution Bearer.
M. W. Bro. Hon. William Ross.....Past Grand Master.
" " Charles R. Smith, K. C.. " "
" " Thos. Trenaman..... " "
R. W. " Chas. E. Puttner, D. Ph. Past Deputy G. Master.
" " M. McFarlane Hall ..... " "

And a very large number of other Past Grand Officers and Members of Grand Lodge from all parts of the Province.

The Grand Secretary read telegrams and letters from the following Brethren expressing regret at being unavoidably absent on this auspicious occasion:

M. W. Bro. Hon. D. C. Fraser, Lieutenant-Governor.
R. W. Bro. Hon. C. J. Townshend, Chief Justice.
R. W. Bro. Rev. Henry D. deBlois, Permanent G. Chaplain.
R. W. Samuel Eastwood, D. D. Grand Master.

The M. W. the Grand Master in suitable words presented M. W. Bro. Charles Reynolds Smith, K. C., Past Grand Master, with a handsome Past Grand Master's Jewel voted to him at Annual Communication in June last. M. W. Bro. Smith in eloquent words thanked Grand Lodge for the valuable gift.

The following programme prepared for the occasion was carried out, excepting the address by His Honor the Lieut.-Governor who was unable to reach here in time from Guysboro where he is residing for the summer months.

# DEDICATION

OF THE

# NOVA SCOTIA FREEMASONS' HOME,

## FAIRFIELD, WINDSOR, N. S., AUGUST 25TH, 1909.

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At 2 o'clock in the afternoon the Grand Master and his officers, accompanied by members of the Grand Lodge, will meet in the reception room of the "Home" when the Grand Lodge will be opened in ample form. A procession will then be formed under the direction of the Grand Director of ceremonies and the Grand Lodge will proceed to the platform in front of the building.

## ORDER OF PROCESSION.

Band,

Tyler with drawn sword,

Grand Secretary,

Grand Treasurer,

Two Past Masters bearing the Holy Writings, Square and Compasses supported by two Stewards with rods,

Chaplain,

Past Grand Wardens,

Past Deputy Grand Masters,

Past Grand Masters,

Junior Grand Warden carrying a vessel with corn,

Senior Grand Warden carrying a vessel with wine,

Deputy Grand Master carrying a vessel with oil,

Oldest Past Master of St. Andrew's Lodge, No. 1, carrying Book of Constitutions,

M. W. Chas. R. Smith, K. C., P. G. M.

The Hon. D. C. Fraser, P.G.M., Lieut-Governor of Nova Scotia,

R. W. The Lord Bishop of Nova Scotia,
Grand Master, supported by two deacons with rods,
Grand Sword Bearer with drawn sword,
Two Stewards with white rods.

When the Grand officers arrive at the platform in front of the "Home" the grand honors will be given. These arrangements being completed, the following ode will be sung :—

"Master Supreme accept our praise;
Still bless the consecrated band;
Parent of Light! illume our ways,
And guide us by Thy Sovereign hand.

May Faith, Hope, Charity, Divine,
Here hold their undivided reign;
Friendship and Harmony combine
To Sooth our cares—to banish pain.

May pity dwell within each breast,
Relief attend the suffering poor;
Thousands by this our "Home" be blest,
Till worth distressed shall want no more.

The Vice-chairman of the board of trustees will then address the Grand Master as follows :—

Most Worshipful Grand Master, The brethren of the Grand Lodge of Nova Scotia being animated with a desire to promote the honor and interest of the craft have established a Home for the care of aged Masons, who are in desitute circumstances and unable to earn a livelihood, and for their wives, and the widows of deceased masons. They are desirous that the same be solemnly dedicated to the purposes for which it has been established agreeably to ancient form and usage.

The Chairman of the Executive Committee of the board of trustees will then address the Grand Master as follows :

"Most Worshipful Grand Master : The brethren who were intrusted by the Grand Lodge with the superintendence of the work done in acquiring, repairing and in the equipment of this building as a home for aged, destitute Masons, and their wives, and widows, have according to the best of their ability accomplished the task assigned to them, and I now on behalf of those brethren return thanks for the honor of the appointment, and beg leave to surrender the implements which were committed to their care when this building was acquired, (presenting to the Grand Master, the square, level, and plumb) humbly hoping that the exertions they have made to establish this Home will be crowned with your approbation and that of the Most Worshipful Grand Lodge.

To which the Grand Master will reply:

Brother: The skill and ability displayed in the execution of the trust reposed in you at the commencement of this undertaking have secured the entire approbation of the Grand Lodge and they sincerly pray that this edifice will continue a lasting monument of the taste, spirit and liberality of the brethren of the Grand Jurisdiction:

The Deputy Grand Master will then address the Grand Master as follows:

Most Worshipful Sir: This building in front of which we are now assembled, and the plan by which it was reconstructed having met with your approbation, it is the desire of the fraternity that it should be dedicated according to ancient form and usage.

Grand Master: From time immemorial it has been the custom of the Fraternity of Freemasons, when requested to do so. to lay the corner-stones of public edifices, especially those designed for the worship of God, and to dedicate with appropriate cermonies such structures as are of general public interest to the communities where the same are located. It is therefore especially fitting that this building, erected by the Masons of Nova Scotia and dedicated to benevolence, should be consecrated to its work by us.

The teachings of Freemasonry inculcate, that in all our works, great and small, begun and finished, we should seek the aid of Almighty God.

It is our first duty, then, to invoke the blessing of the great Architect of the Universe upon the work in which we are about to engage. I therefore command the utmost silence, and call upon all to unite with our Grand Chaplain in an address to the Throne of Grace.

PRAYER.

Almighty and ever Glorious and Gracious Lord God, Creator of all things, and Governor of everything Thou hast made, mercifully look upon Thy servants now assembled in Thy name and in Thy presence, and bless and prosper all our works begun, continued and ended in Thee. Graciously bestow upon us wisdom in all our doings; strength of mind in all our difficulties. and he beauty of harmony and holiness in all our communications and work. Let Faith be the foundation of our Hope, and Charity the fruit of our obedience to Thy revealed will.

May all the proper work that may be done in this house be such as Thy wisdom may approve and Thy goodness prosper. And, finally graciously be pleased O Thou Sovereign Architect of the Universe to bless the Craft wheresoever dispersed, and make them true and faithful to Thee, to their neighbors and to themselves. And when the time of our labor is drawing near to an end, and the pillar of our strength is declining to the ground, graciously enable us to pass through the "valley of the shadow of death", supported by Thy rod and Thy staff, to those mansions beyond the skies, where love, and peace, and joy forever reign before Thy throne. Amen.

## ODE

MUSIC—Old Hundred.

Genius of Masonry descend,
And with thee, bring thy spotless train,
Constant our sacred rites attend,
While we adore thy peaceful reign.

The Junior Grand Warden presents the vessel of corn to the Grand Master, saying:

Most Worshipful Grand Master: In the dedication of Masonic edifices it has been of immemorial custom to pour corn upon the building, as an emblem of nourishment. I therefore, present you this vessel of corn, to be employed by you according to ancient usage.

The Grand Master, then striking thrice with his mallet, pours the corn upon the building saying:

In the name of the Great Jehovah, to whom be all honor and glory, I do solemnly dedicate this Home to masonic charity.

The Grand Honors are given.

"Bring with virtue, brightest maid!
Bring Love, bring Truth, bring Friendship here,
While social mirth shall lend her aid
To soothe the wrinkled brow of care.

The Senior Grand Warden presents the vessel of wine to the Grand Master saying:

Most Worshipful Grand Master:—Wine, the emblem of refreshment, having been used by our ancient brethren in the dedication and consecrating of their Lodges and other buildings, I present you this vessel of wine, to be used on the present occasion according to ancient Masonic form.

The Grand Master then sprinkles the wine upon the building saying:

In the name of the Holy Saints John I do solemnly dedicate this home to virtue.

The Grand Honors are twice repeated.

"Bring Charity with goodness crowned,
Encircled in thy heavenly robe!
Diffuse thy blessings all around,
To every corner of the globe."

The Deputy Grand Master presents the vessel of oil to the Grand Master; saying:

Most Worshipful Grand Master: I present you, to be used according to ancient custom, this vessel of oil, an emblem of that joy which should animate every bosom on the completion of every important undertaking.

The Grand Master then sprinkles the oil upon the building saying:

In the name of the whole fraternity, I do solemnly dedicate this building to Masonic benevolences.

The Grand Honors are thrice repeated.

"To Heaven's high Architect, all praise,
All praise, all gratitude be given,
Who deigned the human soul to raise
By mystic secrets sprung from Heaven."

The Grand Chaplain standing before the "Home" then makes the following

INVOCATION:

And may the Lord, the giver of every good and perfect gift, bless this Home and the brethren here assembled, in all their lawful undertakings, and grant to each one of them, in needful supply the corn of nourishment, the wine of refreshment, and the oil of joy. Amen.

RESPONSE. So mote it be.

AN ORATION

Will be delivered by M. W. Chas. R. Smith, K. C., P. G. M.

ADDRESSES

Will be delivered by His Honor, Lieutenant Governor Fraser, the Honorable Mr. Justice Longley, His Lordship the Bishop, and others.

The Grand Lodge will again form in procession as at first, return to the room, where it was opened, and be closed in ample form.

M. W. Bro. C. R. Smith's address was most interesting, giving a concise sketch of the " Home " from its inception to the present time and the efforts required of those most closely connected with it to bring it to its present state of efficiency.

W. Bro. Mr. Justice J. W. Longley P. M. of the Lodge of St. Mark, No. 38, delivered a fine address, which was greatly appreciated by all within hearing.

He was followed by R. W. Bro. Right Reverend Clare L. Worrell, Lord Bishop of Nova Scotia, Past Grand Chaplain, Grand Lodge of Canada (Ontario) who delivered an excellent address in which he congratulated Grand Lodge and the Craft in Nova Scotia upon the magnificent Home provided for old and worthy Masons, their wives and the widows of Masons.

The fine Brass Band of Windsor was present and took part in the Ceremony of Dedication.

Grand Lodge was reformed and marched back to the place of meeting and closed in Ample Form and with prayer by the Acting Grand Chaplain.

Many hundreds visited the Home and expressed their admiration for its elegence and the beauty of its surroundings.

The Band discoursed sweet music during the afternoon and refreshments were served on the grounds.

The weather which was threatening in the morning cleared off and the day was all that could be desired for such an occasion.

THOMAS MOWBRAY,

*Grand Secretary.*

# PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

# Grand Lodge of Nova Scotia

## Special Communication.

A Special Communication of Grand Lodge was held in Masonic Hall in the town of Louisburg on Tuesday evening, November 9, 1909, at 8 o'clock for the purpose of Dedicating the new Hall of Mariners Lodge, No. 80.

PRESENT:

| | | | |
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| M. W. | Bro. | W. Marshall Black | Grand Master. |
| R. W. | " | Frank L. Dixon | As. Deputy Master. |
| " | " | W. W. Dillon | As. S. G. Wardens. |
| " | " | J. Glen Grant | As. J. G. " |
| W. | " | Martin LeVatte | As. Grand Treasurer. |
| " | " | D. A. Morrison, M. D. | " Grand Secretary. |
| " | " | Rev. Joseph Coffin | " Grand Chaplain. |
| " | " | C. C. Church | " G. S. of Works. |
| " | " | T. W. Publicover | As. G. D. of Ceremonies. |
| " | " | John H. Bertram | As. S. G. Deacon. |
| " | " | N. E. Muggah | As. J. G. " |
| " | " | John A. McDonald | As. Grand Pursuivant. |
| " | " | Noel Crewe-Read | As. Grand Steward. |
| " | " | H. C. V. LeVatte | " " |
| " | " | G. B. Hiltz | " " |
| " | " | J. Edward Webster | Grand Tyler. |

With a large attendance of members of Mariners Lodge and other Lodges.

Grand Lodge was opened in Ample Form and with prayer by the Acting Grand Chaplain. The M. W. the Grand Master then assisted by Grand Officers Dedicated the Hall in strict accordance with Ancient usage.

The Grand Master and some of the visiting Brethren congratulated Mariners Lodge upon the excellence of their new Building after which Grand Lodge was closed in Ample Form and prayer by the Acting Grand Chaplain.

D. A. Morrison,

*Acting Grand Secretary.*

# PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

# Grand Lodge of Nova Scotia

## Special Communication.

A Special Communication of Grand Lodge was held in Freemasons' Hall, Dartmouth, on Tuesday evening, December 14th, 1909, at eight o'clock, for the purpose of Dedicating the new Hall of Eastern Star Lodge, No. 51.

PRESENT.

M. W. Bro. W. Marshall Black .....Grand Master.
R. W. Bro. William Crowe.....Deputy Grand Master.
M. W. Bro. Chas R. Smith, P.G.M...As. S. G. Warden.
R. W. Bro. Jas. Simmonds, P.D.D.G.M. As. J. G. Warden.
R. W. Bro. D. A. Thompson, D.D.G.M. As. Grand Treasurer.
M. W. Bro. L. B. Archibald, P.G.M...As. Grand Secretary.
R. W. Bro. Jno. D. Grant.....Grand Lecturer.
R. W. Bro. Ingram B. Oakes, D.D.G.M. As. Grand Chaplain.
W. Bro. Alexander M. Stuart.....As. S. G. Deacon.
W. Bro. M. W. Waddell .....As. J. G. Deacon.
V. W. Bro. Robert Blair .....G. S. of Works.
V. W. Bro. Wm. H. Soper .....As. G. D. of Ceremonies
W. Bro. John B. Coleman.....As. Grand Pursuivant.
V. W. Bro. J. W. Farquharson.....Grand Steward.

W. Bro. Thos. V. Woolrich .....As. Grand Steward.
W. Bro. Colin McNab ..... " "
W. Bro. John S. Misener ..... " "
W. Bro. J. Edwin Sterns..... " "
V. W. Bro. J. Edward Webster .....Grand Tyler.

Grand Lodge was opened in Ample Form and with prayer by the Acting Grand Chaplain, Master Masons vouched for were admitted.

The ceremony of Dedication was then performed in strict accordance with ancient usage.

The M. W. the Grand Master, M. W. Bro. Smith, P. G. M., M. W. Bro. Archibald, P. G. M. and others congratulated Eastern Star Lodge upon the handsome building they are now the owners of.

Grand Lodge having been closed in Ample Form, all present adjourned to the refreshment room where a pleasant hour was spent in social intercourse.

L. B. ARCHIBALD,
*Acting Grand Secretary.*

# PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

# Grand Lodge of Nova Scotia.

## Annual Communication.

The forty-fifth Annual Communication of the Most Worshipful Grand Lodge of Ancient, Free and Accepted Masons of Nova Scotia was held in the Lecture Hall of Acadia University, Wolfville, beginning at Ten o'clock in the forenoon of Wednesday the Eighth day of June, A. D., 1910, A. L. 5910.

PRESENT.

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| M. W. Bro. | William Marshall Black | Grand Master. |
| R. W. " | J. Murray Lawson | As. Deputy Grand Master. |
| " " | James R. MacDonald | Senior Grand Warden. |
| " " | Edgar J. Vickery | Junior " |
| " " | D. Alex. Thompson | D. D. G. M. District No. 1. |
| " " | Ingram B. Oakes | " " " 2. |
| " " | Wayland E. Read | " " " 3. |
| " " | Robert S. McKay | " " " 4. |
| " " | John W. Logan | " " " 6. |
| " " | Samuel Eastwood | " " " 7. |
| " " | John MacAloney | " Grand Treasurer. |
| " " | Thomas Mowbray | " Grand Secretary. |

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| R. W. Bro | John Duncan Grant | Grand Lecturer. |
| " " | Rev. William Driffield | Grand Chaplain. |
| V. M. " | Frank B. Dunlop | As. Senior Grand Deacon. |
| " " | Geo. A. Slawenwhite | Junior " |
| " " | Joseph Murray | As. G. Supt. of Works. |
| " " | William H. Soper | As. G. D. of Ceremonies. |
| " " | J. Glen Grant | Grand Sword Bearer. |
| " " | James H. Winfield | As. Grand Organist. |
| " " | Thos. W. Publicover | As. Grand Pursuivant. |
| " " | Rev. A. Massey Hill, D. D. | As. Grand Steward. |
| " " | James M. Anderson | " |
| " " | John D. Chambers | As. " |
| " " | Arthur Rogers | " |
| " " | Frederick B. Day, M. D. | " |
| " " | J. Edwin Sterns | " |
| " " | John Edward Webster | Grand Tyler. |

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| M. W. Bro. | Theodore A. Cossmann | Past Grand Master. |
| " " | Thomas Trenaman, M. D. | " " |
| " " | Luther B. Archibald | " " |
| " " | Hon. William Ross (Senator). | " " |
| " " | Charles R. Smith, K. C. | " " |
| R. W. Bro. | Barry D. Bent | Past Deputy Grand Master. |
| " " | J. Murray Lawson | " " |
| " " | Augustus J. Wolff | " " |
| " " | James C. Jones | " " |
| " " | Chas. E. Puttner, M.D. | " " |
| " " | M. McFarlane Hall | " " |
| " " | Thomas Mowbray | " " |

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" " Abner J. McKenna..... " "
" " Chas. I. F. Whitney..... " "
" " John Hay..... " "
" " Andrew J. Munro..... " "
" " John W. Reynolds..... " "
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" " F. S. L. Ford, M. D..... " "
" " Robert H. MacKay..... " "
" " R. F. Merlin..... " "

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Canada (Ontario).....Thomas Mowbray .....Halifax.
Connecticut.....Thomas Trenaman, M. D...Halifax.
Delaware.....J. Murray Lawson.....Yarmouth.
Egypt .....John Hay .....Truro.
Greece .....A. J. Wolff .....Lunenburg.
Idaho .....A. J. Morrison . .....Middleton.
Indiana .....Robie McLeod.....Liverpool.
New Brunswick.....W. Lester Kane.....Halifax.
New South Wales ...Hon. W. Ross..... "

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| South Carolina | Jas. R. MacDonald | Sherbrooke. |
| South Australia | Alfred D. Payzant | Canning. |
| Vermont | L. B. Archibald | Truro. |
| Virginia | W. Medford Christie | Windsor. |
| West Virginia | Abner J. McKenna | Wolfville. |

# REPRESENTATIVES AND MEMBERS OF GRAND LODGE IN ATTENDANCE.

1. St. Andrew's, Halifax.....Sydney P. Dumaresq, W.M.
   Thomas Trenaman, P.M.
   James C. Jones, P.M.
   R. F. Merlin, P.M.
2. St. John's, Halifax.....W. C. Nickerson, W.M., (proxy).
   W. M. Black, P.M.
   D. A. Thompson, P.M.
3. Virgin, Halifax .....Jas. H. Winfield, W.M., (proxy).
   Thomas Mowbray, P.M.
   Chas. E. Puttner, P.M.
   Hon. William Ross, P.M.
   W. Lester Kane, P.M.
   R. R. Kennedy, P.M.
4. Unity, Lunenburg .....John J. Kinley, W.M. (proxy).
   A. J. Wolff, P.M.
   W. Norman Zwicker, P.M.
   Chas. I. F. Whitney, P.M.
   James M. Anderson, P.M.
5. Albion, New Glasgow.....William McLeod, W.M. (proxy).
   Don. F. Fraser, P.M.
   Joseph R. Murray, P.M.
   Samuel Eastwood, P.M.
6. Royal Sussex, Halifax.....Harvey B. Smith, W.M. (proxy).
   John MacAloney, P.M.
   Charles S. Barss, P.M.
   John C. Gass, P.M.
7. St. Andrew's, Sydney.....James Craigie, W.M. (proxy).
   Frank L. Dixon, P.M.
   Thos. W. Publicover, P.M.
8. Acadia, Amherst .....D. A. Morrison (proxy).
   Chas. R. Smith, P.M.
   A. J. Munro, P.M.
   D. B. Bent, P.M.
9. Zetland, Liverpool .....Robie McLeod, P.M. proxy).
10. Burns, Halifax .....H. V. McLeod, S.W. (proxy).
   John D. Grant, P.M.

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| 11. | New Caledonia, Pictou..... | |
| 12. | Hiram, Yarmouth ..... | Rev. A. M. Hill, D.D., W.M. (proxy) |
| | | B. M. Blackadar, J.W. |
| | | Arthur Rogers, P.M. |
| 13. | Acadia, Pugwash ..... | Stanley P. Borden, P.M. (proxy). |
| 14. | Acadia, Halifax ..... | |
| 15. | Athole, Halifax ..... | |
| 16. | Keith, Bear River..... | William H. Smith, W.M. (proxy). |
| | | Wayland E. Read, P.M. |
| 17. | Keith, Halifax ..... | William H. Soper, P.M. |
| 18. | Union, Halifax ..... | James R. Johnston, P.M. (proxy). |
| 19. | Royal Albert, North Sydney... | Welsford D. MacKay, (proxy). |
| 20. | St. George's, Wolfville..... | Robie W. Ford, W.M. |
| | | Alfred K. Barss, S.W. |
| | | Jas. A. Elderkin, J.W. |
| | | E. N. Payzant, P.M. |
| | | C. R. H. Starr, P.M. |
| | | Abner J. McKenna, P.M. |
| | | Geo. E. DeWitt, P.M. |
| | | Martin W. Pick, P.M. |
| | | A. M. Wheaton, P.M. |
| | | Lewis W. Sleep, P.M. |
| | | Ralph Creighton, P.M. |
| 23. | Keith, Stellarton ..... | Geo. W. Conway, W.M. (proxy). |
| 24. | Concord, Clark's Harbor..... | |
| 26. | Welsford, Windsor ..... | H. Bliss Murphy, W.M. |
| | | James E. Smith, P.M., (proxy for Warden). |
| | | W. M. Christie, P.M. |
| | | W. J. Hanebury, P.M. |
| 28. | Scotia, Canning ..... | Ira B. Solomon, W.M. (proxy). |
| | | A. D. Payzant, P.M. |
| | | J. A. Northup, P.M. |
| | | Vincent Green, P.M. |
| 29. | Prince of Wales, Milton..... | Rufus C. Ford, P.M. (proxy). |
| 30. | Albert, Shelburne ..... | Robert A. Bruce, P.M. (proxy). |
| 31. | Scotia, Yarmouth ..... | J. Murray Lawson, P.M. (proxy). |
| | | Robert S. McKay, P.M. |
| | | E. J. Vickery, P.M. |

32. Eldorado, Port Hilford.....
33. Annapolis Royal, Annapolis...
34. Queens, Sherbrooke .....L. D. Densmore, W.M. (proxy).
J. R. McDonald, P.M.
J. H. McLean, P.M.
John D. McDonald, P.M.
35. St. Mark's, Baddeck.....Chas. H. Foyle, (proxy).
36. Thistle, Port Morien .....John R. McAulay, W.M. (proxy).
38. Lodge of St. Mark, Halifax... M. McF. Hall, P.M., (proxy for W.M. and S.W.).
J. E. Webster, P.M. (proxy for J.W.)
T. A. Cossmann, P.M.
39. Acacia, Bridgewater .....F. S. L. Ford, P.M. (proxy).
41. Rothsay, Bridgetown .....J. W. Salter, W.M. (proxy).
Arthur S. Burns, J.W.
42. Eureka, Sheet Harbor.....Henry C. Leslie, P.M.
43. Truro, Truro .....Revd. A. H. Tyers, (proxy).
G. G. Archibald, W.M. (proxy for S.W.)
Geo. L. Fisher, J.W.
L. B. Archibald, P.M.
S. J. Waddell, P.M.
William E. Logan, P.M.
John W. Logan, P.M.
John Hay, P.M.
45. Tyrian Youth, Glace Bay.....Peter McKenzie, W.M. (proxy).
J. Glen Grant, P.M.
46. Solomon, Port Hawkesbury...John W. Reynolds, P.M. (proxy).
47. Philadelphia, Barrington .....
48. Widow's Son, River Philip....
50. Western Star, Westville.....Robert Lauchlan, S.W., (proxy).
51. Eastern Star, Dartmouth.....J. Edwin Sterns, P.M. (proxy).
52. Harmony, Aylesford .....Fred E. Harris, W.M. (proxy).
W. R. Bennett, P.M.
54. King Solomon, Digby .....H. H. Marshall (proxy).
Harry B. Short, P.M.
56. Harmony, Port Clyde.....
57. Temple, Mulgrave .....Daniel Stewart, P.M. (proxy).

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| 58. | Kentville, Kentville ..... | William H. Starr, W.M. (proxy).<br>A. E. H. Chesley, S.W.<br>H. B. Webster, P.M.<br>J. P. Chipman, P.M.<br>A. M. Shaw, P.M.<br>Geo. C. McDougall, P.M. |
| 61. | Clarke, Chester ..... | |
| 62. | Taylor, Lockport ..... | |
| 63. | Corinthian, Great Village..... | |
| 65. | Freeport, Freeport ..... | William A. Pugh, (proxy for W.M.)<br>Milton F. Hains (proxy for Sr. J.W)<br>E. C. Bowers, P.M.<br>W. C. Harris, P.M. |
| 66. | Sircom, Whycocomagh ..... | |
| 67. | Minas, Parrsboro ..... | Rev. F. M. Young, W.M.<br>J. L. Corbett, P.M. (proxy for Wardens). |
| 69. | Charity, Mahone Bay ..... | H. L. Mitchener, S.W. (proxy).<br>G. A. Slawenwhite, P.M. |
| 70. | Laurie, Springhill ..... | Geo. R. Oulton, W.M. (proxy). |
| 72. | Eastern Light, Guysboro ..... | J. Avard Fulton, P.M. (proxy.) |
| 73. | Ionic, Middleton ..... | A. J. Morrison, P.M. (proxy).<br>John H. Potter, P.M.<br>John H. Charlton, P.M. |
| 74. | North Star, Londonderry .... | Rev. W. Driffield, P.M. (proxy). |
| 75. | Winburn, Oxford ..... | Wm. Dunsmore, P.M. (proxy). |
| 76. | Wallace, Wallace ..... | |
| 77. | Hudson, Thorburn ..... | Frederick B. Day, W.M. (proxy).<br>John C. Munroe, P.M. |
| 78. | Mechanics, Caledonia ..... | |
| 79. | Canso, Canso ..... | |
| 80. | Mariner's, Louisburg ..... | |
| 81. | LaHave, Riverport ..... | |
| 82. | Zarthan, Pubnico Head ..... | |
| 83. | Inverness, Inverness ..... | John D. McKinnon, W.M. (proxy). |
| 84. | Sydney, Sydney ..... | |
| 85. | Royal Oak, Sydney Mines.... | Frank B. Dunlop, W.M. (proxy). |
| 86. | King Edward, River Hebert.. | David J. Clarke, W.M. (proxy).<br>John A. Munro, P.M. |

The Grand Secretary reported that a constitutional number of Subordinate Lodges were represented.

Grand Lodge was then opened in Ample Form and with prayer by the Grand Chaplain.

On motion of R. W. Bro. J. C. Jones, seconded by R. W. Bro. J. D. Grant, all master masons vouched for by the Grand Tyler were admitted as visitors during this communication.

## EXCURSION TO FREEMASON'S HOME, WINDSOR

M. W. Bro. T. A. Cossmann, moved that the cost of a special train to Windsor, be defrayed from the Funds of Grand Lodge, and that the Grand Secretary, be instructed to arrange to have the train leave Wolfville at nine o'clock tomorrow (Thursday) morning, and to leave Windsor, to return at Twelve o'clock, noon. This was seconded by M. W. Bro. C. R. Smith and passed unamimously.

## DIVINE SERVICE.

A procession was formed under the direction of V. W. Bro. W. H. Soper, Acting Grand Director of Ceremonies.

R. W. Bro. John W. Reynolds } as Bible Bearers
W. " Rufus C. Ford }
W. " Sydney P. Dumaresq Constitution Bearer

And headed by the Windsor Brass Band marched to St. John's Church where Divine Service was held taken part in by Revd. R. F. Dixon, Rector.

R. W. Bro. Revd. William Driffield, Grand Chaplain, preached the following :

## SERMON.

Preached before the Grand Lodge of A. F. & A. M., at St. John's Church, Wolfville, N.S., on Wednesday, June 8th, 1910.

"Honour all men. Love the brotherhood.
Fear God. Honor the King."—I Peter II, 17.

M W. Grand Master, honored fathers and brethren of this Grand Lodge:

Here we have four great duties to which we as Masons have solemnly sworn and pledged ourselves. They are Humanity, Fraternity, Piety and Loyalty.

**1st, HUMANITY.**

The Apostle, as a Galilean fisherman, had been trained in a somewhat narrow school. Belonging to a nation which rightly deemed itself the recipient of special revelation, grace and favor from Jehovah, there was the ever-present temptation to look upon other nations as being altogether "without the pale," to forget that God's very purpose in revealing Himself to His chosen people, in committing to them the oracles of God and the worship of Solomon's stately Temple, was that they should be the chosen instruments in making His holy name known among the Gentiles, and we have every reason to believe that St. Peter had acquiesced in this narrow view of God's dealings. He had been among the disciples who had called the Syro-Phœnician woman by the opprobious title of "dog"; that term of the deepest contempt so often applied to the Gentiles.

But he had been led by God's revelation in three-fold vision, to see that "in every nation he that feareth God and worketh righteousness is accepted of Him." He had preached His message to Jew and Gentile alike, he had been the first to admit converts into the Christian church from both the Hebrew and the heathen worlds. And now, with the matured wisdom of succeeding years, as he looks out over the expanse of the Gentile races, he discerns the solidarity of the human family, and as he writes to the Jewish Christians dispersed abroad, he bids them to "honour all Men": to honor them because all, Jew and Gentile alike, are made in God's image and bear the impress of God upon them, however defaced by error or transgression.

And we as Masons must remember that we have promised to act temperately, justly, and righteously, not only to our brethren of the mystic tie to whom we are doubly bound, but also to all mankind. We profess that all men are brethren, we exclude no race of mankind from our fraternity. We realize that all good men, "fearing God and working righteousness," are one with us. Although they may not have been initiated into our secret art and philisophy, yet they are unconsciously working out the same results in a good and upright life which we are endeavoring to accomplish; so that as we sometimes hear it said: "Every good man is at heart a Mason." Let us then "do good unto all men, especially those who are of the household of faith."

And this brings us to our second duty, that of **Fraternity, "Love the Brotherhood."**

For as the Apostle looked out over the teeming masses of mankind, he saw set in the midst of them a little confraternity, the infant Church of the Saviour. As yet it had hardly come to its name. The wits of Antioch had only just begun to nick-name its members as Christians.

It was called a Kingdom, a body, a household, a way, and other names, and here the Apostle calls it "the brotherhood."

And surely this is a most beautiful description of what the Church of God should ever be, a brotherhood bound by vows to renounce the evil, to believe the truth, to do the right; bound together by "one Lord, one Faith, one Baptism."

Here the spiri of brotherly kindness should ever prevail, and all strife and envy and malice should be unknown. It is of this, the Body of Christ, that the Apostle says, "Love the Brotherhood."

But I do not forget this morning that I am speaking to those who are bound together, not only by the ties of humanity and of religion, but also by a further tie, that of Freemasonry.

We have solemnly sworn to exercise the spirit of brotherly kindness and Charity one to another in an especial degree, and for an additional reason. that of our brotherhood in this ancient Craft. And thus I would apply the Apostles' words to you in a still further sense, "Love the Brotherhood."

Let us not forget that we are brethren in an ancient body, older by far than any order of chivalry, any guild or company existent today; a Craft in which many of the best, the wisest, and the most exalted of men have counted it no mean honor to be enrolled.

And remembering this, may it be our endeavor to show forth in our lives the true principles of our fraternity, to so exhibit "an unfeigned love of the brethren "that those outside may be aware of the closeness of

"The tie that binds
Our hearts in mutual love."

I thank God that in most of our Lodges these principles are indeed exemplified plainly by deeds of brotherly love. In many a remote and obscure Lodge, composed of brethren not over-burdened with this world's goods, real self-denial is often exhibited in order that distress may be relieved; while the Nova Scotia Freemasons' Home is a standing testimony to the world that we stand together as brethren of one family.

Though in the world outside we must revolve in varying orbits, having different social positions and professional or business avocations, yet on the Lodge floor we meet on the level; sympathizing one with another, helping one another, each grasping a brother's hand with a strong grip, each glad to act a brother's part.

Let me once more say to you, "Love the Brotherhood"; let love and loyalty to the ancient craft ever rule your thoughts, words and actions.

The third duty imposed by the Apostle is that of **Piety. "Fear God."**

I need not remind my brethren in Masonry that the first stone of our edifice is laid on the sure foundation of faith in God. No man who does not believe in the G. A. O. T. U. can be a Freemason. This we regard as an absolute necessity.

We hold no communication with any of those so-called Freemasons on the continent of Europe or elsewhere who are dissenters from this, the original plan of Masonry. We utterly disown them, regarding them as having totally departed from our ancient and fundamental laws and land marks. But I bid you notice that the Apostles' injunction goes even farther than this profession of faith. He says, "Fear God."

No mere theoretical acquiesance in the existence of the Deity is sufficient to comply with St. Peter's precept. To fear God means that His laws are to govern our lives, that we are to so live as He requires, that we are to recognize not only our duty to our brethren, but also our buunden duty to our Heavenly Father.

And I would impress upon you that this is the only adequate and effective source and spring of man's fulfilment of the moral law, without this no system of altruism has any deep and abiding claim upon him. Experience plainly shows that only the practical acknowledgement of God can make man keep the laws of right thinking and right living. A law without the Law-giver is unthinkable.

A code of ethics which only recommends itself by expediency or utility, which is regarded as merely a convenient basis of human society, a "social contract," will always be overcome by man's passions or man's cupidity. Man needs every incentive to urge him in the path of righteousness, and if that crowning incentive, the fear of God, be withdrawn through unbelief or indifference (which is practical unbelief), then his standard of rectitude invariably deteriorates. We are taught almost at the beginning of our Masonic life that the way to happiness lies through wisdom and goodness; that if we are "wiser and better" we shall be "consequently happier," and it is in God's service alone that we find wisdom, virtue and perfect happiness.

Let us then realize that "the fear of God" is not only" "the beginning of wisdom," but is also its culmination; that the fear of God is both the deepest foundation and the highest stone in that great Temple which we, as speculative Masons, are striving, by God's help, to erect to His honor and glory. It is a gross slander, prompted either by ignorance or by enmity, which insinuates that Freemasonry is opposed to, or inconsistent with, true religion and piety.

May we all follow the dictates of our holy Faith, reinforced as they are by the wisdom of our ancient Craft, and above all things, "Fear God."

We now come to the fourth and last of the Apostolic injunctions, the duty of **Loyalty, "Honor the King."**

You need no reminder that very recently we have been called to mourn the loss of our late King Edward VII, one who was not only our Sovereign, but also our Brother in the Craft; so that when we

mention Loyalty our first instinctive thought at this time is that of sorrow for our late Sovereign's death.

It is on account of this, our great loss, that I have laid aside the words which I had intended to address to you, in order that our meditation this morning might be in some measure appropriate to the occasion.

There was a time when some men feared lest English Freemasonry covered some hidden disloyalty. Although errors die hard, yet surely that delusion was shattered beyond repair when men realized that three of the sons of Queen Victoria were the holders of high office in the venerable Grand Lodge of England—Albert Edward, Prince of Wales, as Grand Master; Arthur Patrick, Duke of Connaught, as Senior Grand Warden; and Leopold, Duke of Albany, as Junior Grand Warden.

When, through the resignation of the Earl of Ripon, the Grand East of England became vacant, in 1874, many felt that a severe blow had been given to English Freemasonry. But the nomination of the Prince of Wales, and his acceptance of that high office more than repaired any damage done. His installation in April, 1875, in the Alber Hall, London, was witnessed by upwards of 8,000 distinguished members of the Craft.

We are told that, although accustomed to maintain strict control of his feelings on all public occasions, yet the Prince was visibly affected by the enthusiastic, prolonged and fraternal plaudits of his brethren.

During his tenure of this office, the Prince was also Grand First Principal of Royal Arch Masons, Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Mark Master Masons, Supreme Grand Master of the Knights Templar, and a member of the 33rd degree or Governing Council of the Ancient and Accepted Scottish Rite.

He was also an Honorary Past Grand Master of the Knights Templar of Canada, which was probably the only over-seas Dominion thus honored. While it was understood from the first that the Prince's crushing multiplicity of engagements must necessarily prevent his always occupying the Oriental chair, yet it is well known that he always manifested a most active interest in the Craft, often declining very important functions in order to be in his place, and only giving up his office on his accession to the Throne.

It was his delight to meet his brethren on the level, and we learn that at Masonic gatherings he most evidently enjoyed the spirit of brotherly equality which prevailed. Nowhere else, save perhaps in one or two clubs of which he was a member, could he throw aside his rank so absolutely.

And did not the King carry this very spirit of brotherly kindness into all the affairs of the Empire? Was it not this which caused loyalty to the Crown to glow into personal affection for the King himself?

Why are the nations today lamenting the loss of "the Uncle of Europe," as the French affectionately called him? Why is the deepest and most real sorrow among the poorest classes of England? Why is it that one of the leading men of the Labor party, himself almost a Republican, says "We have lost the friend and Father of us all?" Not only the tenants on his personal estate, but thousands who never saw his face, feel that they have lost a friend. I think the secret of his great power was simply this—that he was a man of brotherly kindness.

This made him the idol of children and young people, the object of his subjects' love, easily the most popular man in Europe, and also the greatest diplomat of modern times, whose tact and friendliness have produced and fostered an atmosphere of international peace. Other great qualities he had, of course. He was a thorough business man, a man of method and industry. Those who served with him on certain Royal Commissions testify that he had the rare gift of insight, of getting to the root of a matter, of keeping great principles and objects clear and distinct amidst an obscuring mass of details.

Men are only now beginning to realize how hard, how trying, the King's work for his people was, how bravely and doggedly he stuck to it even when in the grip of fell disease. He died in harness; giving audiences, transacting business even in spite of the efforts of his physicians. That he was free from the ordinary foibles and imperfections of our common humanity, one would not say, but the general sorrow is his worthiest and best enconium. No King could be so lamented by his subjects, no husband so mourned by his almost heartbroken widow, no father by his bereaved children; unless he had been a good man and true, honorable and upright, kindly and concientious in all the relations of life.

And so, he is gone—our Brother in Masonry, the Protector of the Craft, our Sovereign Lord the King—and we would join this morning with all the mourning millions in paying our humble tribute of loyalty and affection to his memory. When our time comes for departure, may we be able to look back on duty done, may we be remembered as those whose aim has been to promote peace and good will amongst men.

"The King is dead—long live the King!" Such was the formula of France under the old regime!

We turn from the departed whom we mourn to the King to whom we bear willing and glad allegiance.

"Honor the King," says St. Peter. Do not forget that he is here writing of Nero, probably the very worst of all the Roman Emperors, the one who persecuted the Church and crucified St. Peter himself. And yet the apostle could write "Honor the King,'" and St. Paul, writing to the Christians of Rome in that chapter which we have read as our second lesson this morning, could say: "The powers that be are ordained of God. . . . . He is the minister of God to thee for good."

These words are a logical expansion of the 5th Commandant. When God of old said: "Honor thy father and thy mother," He blessed and sanctified the principle of obedience to rightful authority.

And truly any government, however bad, is immeasurably better than anarchy. A land may, and often does, flourish considerably under a very imperfect or corrupt form of rule, but mere lawlessness will speedily and inevitably bring it to ruin..

How thankful ought we to be for our free institutions and liberty-loving order!

Acknowledging, as we do, the Holy Scriptures as the rightful rule and guide of our lives, it goes without saying that we deem it our bounden duty to be loyal subjects. We yield to none in our affection both for the institution and the person of our august monarch, when, at the end of this service, we stand and sing the National Anthem, it will be no mere matter of form, but the fervent prayer of each Mason, "God Save the King."

Neither let us forget that under our constitutional rule, each has an individual share in the government of his country, and he honors the King by taking an upright and serious view of his duties in this respect. Here, in this great, new land, we are facing many problems; some of them as yet only dimly discerned, but bound to press heavily upon us sooner or later.

As Masons we are bound to no political party; but in common with all right-thinking men, it should be our individual endeavor to keep our public standard of morality high, to meet our national problems as they arise in a wise and far-seeing spirit, that so this great Dominion may develop not only as regards its physical resources, but as a land distinguished for that "righteousness which exalteth a nation."

These then, my brethren, are the four great precepts of the Apostle; and the more we mediate upon them the more clearly we shall find that they cover practically all the departments of our life.

May we so obey them that the rough ashlar of each individuality may be fashioned into the perfect ashlar, a stone meet and fit for the great Temple of God!

The devotional services ended by singing the National Anthem.

The procession was reformed and marched back to the University grounds where a photograph of Grand Lodge and visiting brethren was taken by Bro. C. H. Climo of Halifax. The Brethren then assembled in the temporary Grand Lodge room.

## THANKS.

On motion of M. W. Bro. C. R. Smith, seconded by M. W. Bro. W. Ross a hearty vote of thanks was tendered to the Grand Chaplain for his eloquent sermon coupled with the request that he furnish the Grand Secretary with the manuscript of it for Publication in the proceedings of Grand Lodge for the present year.

Moved by R. W. Bro. J. C. Jones, seconded by R. W. Bro. J. M. Lawson that the Grand Secretary be directed to

convey to the Rector, Wardens and Vestry of St. John's Church the thanks of Grand Lodge for the use of that Sacred Edifice for Divine Service and to the Organist and Choir for the appropriate music provided for this morning's service. Passed unanimously.

By unanimous vote the Grand Secretary was directed to convey to the authorities of Acadia University the cordial thanks of Grand Lodge for their kindness in granting the use of the commodious rooms in which it is now assembled.

The Grand Secretary read letter from St. George's Lodge extending hospitalities to members of Grand Lodge and Visitors, including drives to places of historic interest, and a reception on Thursday evening and he was directed to acknowledge the letter, conveying to the Worshipful Master and Brethren of St. George's Lodge the thanks of Grand Lodge for their fraternal courtesies.

## APOLOGIES.

The Grand Secretary read letters and Telegrams from the following Brethren expressing regret at their enforced absence from this Communication.

R. W. Bro. Rev. H. D. deBlois, Permanent G. Chaplain.
" " Alex. Stephen, P. Deputy Grand Master.
" " M. B. Dickenson, D. D. Grand Master.
" " W. H. Macdonald, D. D. Grand Master.
" " Alexander Bain, P. S. Grand Warden.
W. " William Brown, W. M. North Star, 74.
" " Peter Macfarlane, P. M. Albion, 5.
V. W. " P. A. Freeman, G. D. of Ceremonies.
" " W. H. Graham, G. Pursuivant.
W. " Edgar N. Clements, P. M. Hiram, 12.

Grand Lodge was called from Labor to Refreshments at half past one o'clock.

AFTERNOON SESSION—Wednesday, June 8, 1910.

Labor was resumed at 3 o'clock.

The Grand Master presiding.

M. W. Brethren, W. P. Doull, Grand Master, and Donald Darrach, and S. W. Crabbe, Past Grand Masters of the Grand Lodge of Prince Edward Island were announced and introduced by M. W. Brethren T. A. Cossmann and C. R. Smith and accorded Grand Honors and cordially welcomed by the Grand Master, which was suitably acknowledged by the Visiting Most Worshipful Brethren.

The minutes of last Annual Communication of Grand Lodge having been signed by the Grand Secretary and approved by the Grand Master were upon motion of R. W. Bro. B. D. Bent, seconded by R. W. A. J. Munro, taken as read.

Minutes of the following Special Communications of Grand Lodge were also taken as read.

Laying of Corner Stone of Court House at Digby, June 25, 1909.

Laying of Corner Stone of New Masonic Hall at Dartmouth, August 5, 1909.

Dedication of the Nova Scotia Freemasons Home, Fairfield, Windsor, August 25, 1909.

Dedication of New Hall of Mariners Lodge, No. 80, Louisburg, November 9, 1909.

Dedication of New Hall of Eastern Star Lodge, No. 51, Dartmouth, December 14, 1909.

The M. W. the Grand Master delivered the following.

# ADDRESS.

To the M. W. the Grand Lodge of Nova Scotia, A. F. & A. M.:
Brethren:—

Another year has passed away and we have reached the forty-fifth mile stone in the history of our Grand Lodge, and I bid you welcome to this Annual Communication.

Accepting the Holy Writings as our rule and guide it is but fitting that our first duty on such occasions as these is to offer up our thanks to the Supreme Grand Architect of the Universe for the many mercies vouchsafed to us, for which purpose we have attended Divine Service in the "House of God," there to offer up our thanks and adoration to Him to Whom we owe our being; to Him who holds us in the hollow of His hand and whose teachings if followed by us will surely lead us to His presence when in His wisdom He shall summon us to that Celestial Home above "Where the wicked cease from troubling and the weary are at rest."

## "KING EDWARD VII."

On the evening of May 6th the world was stunned by the sudden and lamentable news that our beloved Sovereign, Edward the VII, King and Emperor, had been summoned to his long rest by the "King of Kings."

As the Ruler of this vast Empire of ours, he had endeared himself to us by his many graceful acts and his successful efforts for the peace of the Universe.

His reign, while short, was one which we, as loyal subjects of the Crown, have every reason to feel, that we are better citizens in having lived under it.

His every thought was for the welfare of his subjects in all respects, and his patronage and assistance towards the comfort of the poor are too well known for me to write of.

But we as Masons feel proud that for many years he was the Grand Master Mason of England, surrendering that office only when he ascended the throne, and still showing his deep interest in all things Masonic by accepting the title "Protector of the Craft."

In 1870 he was raised in a Lodge in Sweden, and in 1874 was unanimously elected to and accepted the office of Grand Master of Masons in England, and thus showing to the world of Masonry his willingness to meet his Brethren on the level.

In April, 1875, he was installed in a most solemn and impressive manner in Albert Hall, in the presence of some nine thousand Masons.

His rule as Grand Master was always tactful and for the best interests of the Craft.

We, as Canadians, can trace a closer connection with him than as Grand Master of Masons in England, finding as we do that during the time that our present "Order of the Temple" in Canada was under the name of "The National Great Priory of Canada," he held the office of Supreme Grand Master (the only Masonic office he held outside of England) until the "Sovereign Great Priory of Canada" was formed, when he accepted the title of "Honorary P. G. Master of Canada," one of the very few "Honorary" ranks he ever consented to accept.

Indirectly, we find another connection through one of his ancestors,, "The Duke of Kent," who, when Commander-in-Chief of British North America and Grand Master of Lower Canada, on behalf of Richard Bulkeley, a member of His Majesty George III's Cabinet, laid the Corner Stone of the old Freemasons' Hall, at the corner of Barrington and Salter Sts., on June 5th, 1800 A.D., and of Masonry 5800, the original stone still being preserved in our present building in the City of Halifax.

In —— the Duke of Kent visited this town in which we are now assembled and stopped with Judge DeWolfe, the house still standing and known as "Kent Lodge."

To King George V we offer our sincere homage as subjects of his Empire and as Masons we trust His Majesty may in his wisdom see fit to emulate the example of his illustrious father and follow closely in his footsteps the Masonic career that we as Masons feel so proud of. "God Save the King."

We are especially thankful that we are permitted to assemble with the ranks of our Grand Lodge unbroken; the grim reaper,

"Death," having passed us by, but it is with sorrow we find that in our Subordinate Lodges the Scythe of Time has reaped bountifully; our sympathies go forth to those who have been called upon to mourn the loss of dear ones, and to the Lodges who have lost so many of their able workers, those who have long labored with them in the relief of the suffering and the advancement of our Craft, but we feel assured that such were their lives on this terrestrial sphere that they have entered that Celestial Home above and their earthly deeds will truly live after them and their memories be ever cherished by us

"Released from earthly toil and strife,
With Thee is hidden still their life;
Thine are their thoughts, their works, their powers,
All Thine, and yet most truly ours;
For well we know, where'er they be,
Our dead are living unto Thee."

I would recommend that suitable memorial pages be inserted in our proceedings as a last sad tribute to departed worth.

While our Grand Lodge has been lightly dealt with by the "Grim Reaper," other Grand Bodies with which we are in fraternal correspondence have not been so fortunate; we offer them our sympathies in the irreparable loss which they have sustained, and I recommend that as a mark of respect to these departed Brethren, and as an expression of Universal Brotherhood that memorial pages be inserted in our forthcoming proceedings.

"They whose course on earth is o'er,
Think they of their brethren more?
They before the throne who bow,
Feel they for their brethren now."

The names so far reported at this office comprise some of the most eminent masons of other jurisdictions and are as follows:

M. W. Bro. Henry Orange Warner, P.G.M., Grand Lodge of Connecticut. Died May 8, 1909.

M. W. Bro. Bradner D. Slaughter, P.G.M., Grand Lodge of Nebraska Died May 8th, 1909.

M. W. Bro. Francis Marion Zuck, P.G.M. Grand Lodge of Arizona. Died July 16th, 1909.

M. W. Bro. Joseph Robbins, P. G. M. Grand Lodge of Illinois Died July 19th, 1909.

M. W. Bro. Rufus Easton Anderson, P. G. M. Grand Lodge of Missouri. Died July 27th, 1909.

Worshipful Bro. James W. Null, Grand Tyler Grand Lodge of Missouri. Died Aug. 3rd, 1909.

R. W. Bro. Melvin Edwards, Grand Lecturer Grand Lodge of Colorado. Died Aug. 4th, 1909.

R. W. Bro. Wm. H. Miller, P. D., G. M. Grand Lodge of S. Dakota. Died Oct. 3rd, 1909.

M. W. Bro. William Moore Cunningham, P. G. M. Grand Lodge of Ohio. Died Aug. 16th, 1909.

R. W. Bro. Bligh E. Wood, P. S. G. W., Grand Lodge of S. Dakota. Died Oct. 17th, 1909.

M. W. Bro. Ansalem Johnson Davidson, P. G. M. Grand Lodge of Montana. Died Oct. 24th, 1909.

M. W. Bro. Michael A. Murphy, P. G. M. Grand Lodge of Nevada. Died Oct. 26th, 1909.

M. W. Bro. Frank Dana Woodbury, P. G. M. and Grand Sec'y. Grand Lodge of New Hampshire. Died November, 1909.

R. W. Bro. John Dunbar Baines, P. S., G. W., Grand Lodge of West Virginia. Died Jan. 11, 1910.

W. Bro. Jacob King, Grand Tyler Grand Lodge of Nebraska. Died Jan. 19th, 1910.

M. W. Bro. Konscinsco Kemper, P. G. M. Grand Lodge of Virginia. Died Jan. 26th, 1910.

M. W. Bro. Thomas Marion Puleston, P. G. M. Grand Lodge of Florida. Died Feb. 10th, 1910.

M. W. Bro. Daniel Noyes, P. G. M. Grand Lodge of Indiana. Died March 13th, 1910.

R. W. Bro. Zimmerman Davis, Grand Treasurer Grand Lodge of S. Carolina. Died March 30, 1910.

M. W. Bro. Samuel R. Peters, P. G. Master Grand Lodge of Kansas. Died April 22nd, 1910.

M. W. Bro. Frank Jared Thompson, P. G. Master and G. Sec'y. Grand Lodge of North Dakota. Died Feb. 25th, 1910.

## COMMITTEES.

Immediately after the close of Grand Lodge I appointed the usual committees as well as special committees ordered by Grand Lodge for the "Revision of the Constitution" and for the "Formal opening of the Home."

I also had much pleasure in appointing District Deputy Grand Masters as follows:

Dis. No. 1—R. W. Bro. Donald Alex. Thompson, 2nd year, Halifax.
Dis, No. 2—R. W. Bro. Ingram B. Oakes, 2nd year, Wolfville.
Dis. No. 3.—R. W. Bro. Wayland B. Read, 2nd year, Bear River.
Dis. No. 4.—R. W. Bro. Robert S. MacKay, 1st year, Yarmouth.
Dis. No. 5.—R. W. Bro. William H. MacDonald, 1st year, Rose Bay.
Dis. No. 6.—R. W. Bro. John W. Logan, 1st year, Truro.
Dis. No. 7.—R. W. Bro. Samuel Eastwood, 1st year, New Glasgow.
Dis. No. 8.—R. W. Bro. William A. Morgan, 1st year, Canso.
Dis. No. 9.—R. W. Bro. M. B. Dickenson, 1st year, Sydney.

R. W. Brethren Donald Alex. Thompson of Dist. No. 1, Ingram B. Oakes, of Dist. No. 2, and Wayland E. Read, of Dist. No. 3, having in a highly satisfactory manner and with credit to themselves discharged the duties of their office for the past two years, I have much pleasure in recommending each of these Brethren for the rank of Past District Deputy Grand Master of this Grand Lodge.

## "NOVA SCOTIA FREEMASONS' HOME."

As the report of the Trustees of the "Home" will be laid before you in detail it will be unnecessary for me to refer to this matter except in a general way.

During the past year I have visited the "Home" on several occasions and have always found everything as it should be, the inmates contented and well cared for, the rooms comfortable and in good order at all times.

Under the able superintendency of Bro. Merrill and his estimable wife Grand Lodge may rest assured that no pains will be spared that will lead to the comfort of those who are under their care, the interests of Grand Lodge conserved and a high standard of excellence maintained.

I have had the opportunity of discussing "Home" matters in every Lodge in the jurisdiction and in but two Lodges did I hear any criticism expressed.

In one of these, in the far east, two or three of the Brethren took exception to the clause in the by-laws requiring an applicant to turn over all his property to the Trustees of the "Home" before his admission, but as the "Home" is primarily intended for those who have no property and as the complaint was apparently not a Lodge matter, any action on my part would have been unnecessary.

In the other case, complaint from a Lodge in the central part of the jurisdiction, that an applicant from their Lodge had not been admitted, was, I think, if I may be permitted to say so, a little unreasonable.

This applicant was examined by two physicians at different times, and while the examinations were practically the same, the opinions differed as to the applicant's eligibility for admission.

Inasmuch as all laws are made for the government of the mass, and as in individual cases they will sometimes seem harsh, your Trustees, while regretting the fact, had to refuse admittance to the applicant.

The Lodge, however, believe that this step on the part of the Trustees has, to a certain extent, injured Masonry in that section, and has had a serious result upon the membership of the Lodge, and on these two points I thoroughly agree with them, and I am of the opinion that this Grand Lodge would be quite justified in authorizing the Committee on Charity in this special case and without creating a precedent, to assist the Lodge financially in supporting the applicant within the jurisdiction of the Lodge. The Lodge is not a strong one, either numerically or financially, and I have no doubt that if this were done it would at once put the Lodge on its feet and give Masonry a higher standard in the District. I commend this to your serious consideration.

While it might be thought by many that in some respects the by-laws should be amended I feel convinced that for the present at least (with possibly one exception) no change should be made, as under Section 4 the Trustees have ample discretionary powers.

On Aug. 25th, as you are aware, an Emergent Communication of Grand Lodge was held at Windsor for the purpose of Dedicating and formally opening the "Home."

Notwithstanding the uncertain weather a very large number were present, and I have yet to learn of any dissatisfaction, as to either the locality or the manner in which the "Home" is fitted up and operated; everyone present seemed delighted, and congratulations to Grand Lodge was the rule of the day.

While possibly to some the expenditure in maintaining the "Home" may seem to be greater than the results warrant, it must be remembered that the two years just past are the two hardest, both in work and finances, that we are ever likely to experience, and notwithstanding the expenditure (an expenditure less than the income) it is most gratifying to feel that this Grand Lodge has established a "Home," a "Home" in the true sense of the word, where those of our Brethren who have labored long amongst us and have at last, through no fault of their own, been brought to that state where they must seek some refuge for their declining years, can find such a "Home" as we offer them.

I am convinced that the day will come, and that before many years, when our "Home" will be self-supporting, when we will not only admit our Brother, his wife and his widow, but his orphan as well and provision will be made for those who are nearly physically helpless; let us strive to that end, Brethren, and be not satisfied until we attain it.

The per capita tax you pay is small; there is not a member of the craft in the jurisdiction who does not spend the amount of his per capita on some form of pleasure; there is not a member who does not give that amount away in charity each year; you can well afford this small per capita, indeed, you can afford more and you should not cease your efforts until each of you has contributed such a sum as will aid informing an endowmnet of sufficient size which will enable the "Home" to be operated without a per capita.

The "Home" is before you;it is an established fact and not a visionary one as it was a few years ago; you should make it so firm on its foundation that so far as finances are concerned, no cause for worry will exist in the future.

You will have the opportunity at this Communication of visiting and inspecting your property if you desire. I hope you will take advantage of it as it is only by a personal inspection that you can realize the work that we as a Grand Lodge are doing.

I cannot speak too highly of the great interest taken in the welfare of the "Home" by the Board of Trustees, the meetings have been largely attended and any special work falling to any certain member of the Trustees has been carefully attended to without delay and for the best interests of Grand Lodge.

No one can reailze, unless they have occupied the position which I now have the honor of holding, the immense amount of work required to attend to the numerous details that are constantly arising and no one member of the Trustees has worked more for your interests than R. W. Bro. Christie, Chairman of the Executive. He has sacrificed time and pleasure to further the interests of the "Home" and bring it up to the high standard which it now holds.

Another member of the Trustees who has worked for its welfare is R. W. Bro. Mowbray, Secretary of the Board, and while the Trustees, under the By-laws, have no power to vote him any remuneration for his labours, I am firmly convinced that the office which he holds in the Board should carry a salary, and it would be a graceful act on the part of this Grand Lodge, for themto vote an amount, either as salary or a bonus, in appreciation for the careful and exact manner in which he has performed his duties for the year just past.

I go even further and believe that both the Secretary of the Board and the Treasurer should be remunerated for the arduous and responsible work which they are of necessity called upon to perform.

While of course the Trustees are equally responsible for their acts, the carrying out of the instructions of the Board are left to these two officials, and at times considerable work falls upon them, and unless it is carefully and punctually carried out, the results may prove at times serious, and no one realizes this fact more than your Trustees themselves.

This matter I leave to your serious consideration, believing that the result you arrive at will be for the best interests of all concerned.

## OFFICIAL ACTS.

It was most pleasing to me to have the opportunity of granting so many dispensations to Lodges desiring to attend Divine Service in regalia, on St. John's day. This desire on the part of Lodges is growing year by year, and is a most commendable one, and I hope that in the near future it may become universal throughout the jurisdiction.

While it was a pleasure to have applications for the above purpose it was not so pleasing to have so many applications for dispensations to confer the M. Masons degree within the time limit. Many of my predecessors have spoken in no uncertain tone condemning such applications and I concur with them in every respect.

I am aware that exceptional cases do arise at times and permission must be granted, but I trust that in the future such applications may become less and less as time goes on.

I have also had a larger number of applications than usual to elect and instal officers otherwise than provided for in the constitution; the constitution is very clear on this point, and no excuse can be offered for electing officers who are not vouched for, or for electing a member of the Lodge to more than one office. Such cases have arisen lately and should be avoided for the future.

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June 17. Approved amendments By-Laws Albert Lodge, No. 30.

19. Granted Virgin Lodge, No. 3, Dispensation to instal Treasurer and S. Steward at regular meeting, June 28th, they being unavoidably absent at regular installation of officers.

22. Granted Dispensation to St. Andrews, No. 7, and Laurie, No. 70, to attend Divine Service in Church on June 27th. Wearing Regalia.

25. Granted Dispensation to Solomon, No. 46, for same purpose.

25. Laid Corner Stone County Court House, Digby.

June 28. Granted permission to Sydney, No. 84, to hold one meeting during the months of July and August, such meetings to be held on the fourth Monday of each month.

29. Granted Dispensation to North Star, No. 74, to hold regular meeting on 8th iinstead of 1st July.

July 3. Granted Eureka No. 42, Dispensation to confer M. M.'s. degree upon F. C. Bro. W. F. Sampson, within the time limit, he being about to leave the jurisdiction.

12. Granted Prince of Wales, No. 29, Dispensation to elect and instal Senior Warden.

15. Granted Acacia, No. 39, Dispensation to confer M. M.'s. degree upon F. C. Bro. James M. Davis within Statutory time, he being about to leave jurisdiction.

Aug. 5. Granted Eastern Star, No. 51, Dispensation to confer M. M.'s. degree upon F. C. Bro. Wilson P. Evans within time limit, he being about to leave the jurisdiction.

5. Laid Corner Stone Hall Eastern Star, No. 51, Dartmouth.

25. Dedicated Nova Scotia Freemasons' Home, Windsor.

26. Granted Sydney, No. 84, Dispensation to hold regular meeting on Friday, Sept. 3rd, instead of Monday, Sept. 6th, that being a Public Holiday.

30. Granted St. Mark's, No. 35, Dispensation to attend Divine Service in Church, wearing Regalia.

Sept. 1. Granted Tyrian Youth, No. 45, Dispensation to attend ceremony of Laying Corner Stone of new Masonic Hall at Louisburg.

2. Granted St. Andrew's, No. 7, Dispensation for same purpose.

8. Granted Harmony, No. 52, Dispensation to confer the M. M.'s. degree upon F. C. Bro. Paul Parker Balcom within Statutory time, he being about to leave the jurisdiction. Also upon F. C. Bro. Arnold Jenks McKay, for the same reason.

Sept. 11. Granted Wallace, No. 76, Dispenatsion to confer the M. M.'s. degree upon F. C. Bro. Kenneth Robert McLean within Statutory time, he being about to leave the jurisdiction.

18. Approved amendment to By-law Lodge of St. Mark, No. 38, making monthly dues thirty cents instead of twenty-five cents, as heretofore.

30. Granted Scotia, No. 31, Dispensation to confer M. M.'s. degree upon F. C. Bro. Frederick MacCauley within Stautory time, he being about leaving the jurisdiction.

Oct. 12. Granted Canso, No. 79, Dispensation to wear Regalia at an "At Home," to be held under the auspices of the Lodge.

21. Granted Dispensation to Alexandra Lodge, Amherst, to commence work.

21. Approved By-laws Harmony Lodge, No. 56.

22. Approved By-laws Kentville Lodge, No. 58.

27. Granted Welsford, No. 26, Dispensation to confer M. M.'s. degree upon F. C. Bro. Randolph Winsten Churchill within Statutory time, he being about to leave the jurisdiction for an indefinite time.

Nov. 4. Approved new By-laws St. Andrew's Lodge, No. 7.

9. Dedicated new Lodge Building of Mariners, No. 80, at Louisburg.

18. Approved By-law Albert, No. 19, making annual dues $3.25, instead of $3.00, as heretofore, and dues of members of twenty-five years standing to be $1.25 instead of $1.00, as heretofore.

26. Approved amendment to By-laws of St. Mark's, No. 35, making the fees $22.00 instead of $20.00, as heretofore.

27. Granted Taylor, No. 62, Dispensation to attend Divine Service in Church on Sunday, Dec. 26th, wearing Regalia.

Dec. 8. Approved By-law of New Caledonia, No. 11, which shall read as follows: "The regular meeting of the Lodge shall be held in the Masonic Temple in Pictou as follows, from June until September (both months included): On the second Thursday of each month, at eight o'clock P. M., and for the rest of the year on the second and fourth Thursdays of each month, at half-past seven o'clock P. M."

10. Granted Zarthan Lodge, No. 82, Dispensation to attend Divine Service in Church on St. John's Day (Dec. 27), wearing Regalia.

14. Granted Acacia Lodge, No. 8, Dispensation to attend Divine Service in Church on St. John's Day, wearing Regalia. Also to wear Regalia at a Masonic banquet on St. John's Day.

15. Granted Zetland, No. 9, Dispensation to attend Divine Service on Sunday, Dec. 26th, wearing Regalia.

15. Granted Welsford, No. 26, Dispensation for same purpose.
16. Granted Harmony, No. 56, Dispensation for same purpose.

17. Granted Mechanic's, No. 78, Dispensation for same purpose.

Dec. 18. Granted New Caldeonia, No. 11, Dispensation to attend Divine Service in Church, on Sunday, Dec. 26th, wearing Regalia.

22. Granted Wallace Lodge, No. 76, Dispensation for same purpose.

23. Granted King Edward Lodge, No. 86, Dispensation for same purpose.

Granted Minas Lodge, No. 67, Dispensation for same purpose.

Granted Eureka Lodge, No. 42, Dispensation for same purpose.

24. Granted LaHave Lodge, No. 81, Dispensation for same purpose.

Dec. 24. Granted Unity Lodge, No. 4, Dispensation for same purpose.

Granted Keith Lodge, No. 16, Dispensation for same purpose.

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Jan. 3. Granted Albert Lodge, No. 39, Dispensation to confer M. M.'s. degree upon F. C. Bro. Lawrence Joshua Walsh within time limit, he being about to leave the jurisdiction.

4. Approved amendment By-laws St. Andrew's Lodge, No. 1, making the fees for the three degrees $25.00 instead of $20.00, as heretofore.

14. Granted St. George's Lodge, No. 20, Dispensation to confer the M. M.'s. degree upon F. C. Bro. Frederick William Cowern within time limit, he being about to leave the jurisdiction.

27. Granted St. Mark's Lodge, No. 35, Dispensation to hold drive dinner and an "At Home," on Friday, Feb. 4th, 1910, wearing Regalia.

29. Approved By-laws Rothsay Lodge, No. 41, making the dues four dollars per annum.

Feb. 8. Granted Concord Lodge, No. 24, Dispensation to hold monthly meeting at three o'clock in the afternoon of the day of regular meeting in February, and at such meeting elect and instal officers instead of at the March meeting.

15. Granted Zarthan Lodge, No. 82, Dispensation to confer M. M.'s. degree upon F. C. Bro. John A. Gayton wtihin time limit, he being about to leave the jurisdiction.

18. Granted Concord Lodge, No. 24, Dispensation to attend Divine Service in Church on Sunday, 20th inst., wearing Regalia.

22. Granted Royal Sussex, No. 6, Dispensation to confer M. M.'s degree upon F. C. Jameson Edward Rogers within time limit, he being about to leave the jurisdiction.

Feb. 25. Granted St. Andrew's, No 1, Dispensation to meet at 7.30 on regular night of meeting, instead of eight o'clock, as laid down in By-laws.

Granted Eureka Lodge, No. 42, Dispensation to elect and instal Officers at April meeting, many of the members being absent in March.

Mar. 1. Granted LaHave, No. 81, Dispensation to confer M. M.'s. degree upon F. C. Bro. Johnson Foster Lohnes within Statutory time, he being about to leave the jurisdiction.

2. Granted King Edward Lodge, No. 86, Dispensation to confer M. M.'s. degrees upon F. C. Bro. William Crooks within time limit, he being about to leave the jurisdiction.

Mar. 3. Approved By-laws Eureka Lodge, No. 42, changing time of meeting and making Lodge dues two dollars per annum and per capita tax for the maintenance of the Freemasons' Home.

3. For satisfactory reasons granted Unity Lodge, No. 4 Dispensation to hold regular monthly meeting on Tuesday, March 8th, instead of Tuesday, March 1st.

Granted dispensation to Acacia, No. 8, to confer the M. M.'s. degree within the Statutory time, on F. C. Bro. Wm. Crooks for reasons satisfactory to me.

15. Approved amendment to By-laws Eastern Star, No. 51, making monthly dues forty cents instead of twenty-five cents, as heretofore.

30. Granted Laurie Lodge, No. 70, Dispensation to instal Secretary and Tyler at April meeting ,they being unavoidably absent when the other Officers were installed.

April 4. Granted Harmony Lodge, No. 56, Dispensation to elect and instal Secretary and one Steward at April meeting, the Brethren elected to these offices declining to be installed.

5. Granted St. George's Lodge, No. 20, Dispensation to elect and instal Secretary and S. Steward at April meeting, the Brethren elected to these offices declining to be installed.

April 8. Granted Albert Lodge, No. 30, Dispensation to confer M. M.'s. degree upon F. C. Bro. R. R. Etherington, within time limit, he being about to leave the jurisdiction.

15. Granted Dispensation to Acadia, No. 13, to hold their meetings in Oddfellows' Hall, in the town of Pugwash, their Hall having been destroyed by fire on the 18th March.

16. Granted Laurie Lodge, No. 70, Dispensation to instal Tyler at May meeting, he being unavoidably absent at the time of installation of Officers.

18. Granted Kentville Lodge, No. 58, Dispensation to instal Marshal at May meeting, he being unavoidably absent at time of installation of Officers.

19. Granted Acadia Lodge, No. 13, Dispensation to hold its meetings in Oddfellows' Hall, its own Hall having been destroyed by fire on the 18th March, 1910.

25. Granted Queens Lodge, No. 34, Dispensation to elect and instal Junior Warden at May meeting, the Junior Warden-elect having left the jurisdiction.

27. Approved By-law Keith Lodge, No. 16, making the dues three dollars per annum instead of two dollars, as heretofore.

30. Granted Corinthian Lodge, No. 63, Dispensation to instal the Wardens at the May meeting, the Officers elect being unavoidably absent when the other officers were installed.

Granted Scotia Lodge, No. 31, Dispensation to instal Officers at May meeting, the installation at the April meeting having been postponed owing to the illness of the Wor. Master-elect.

May 5. Granted Mechanic's Lodge, No. 78, Dispensation to instal three of its officers at June meeting, they being away from home at the April and May meetings.

Granted Burns' Lodge, No. 10, Dispensation to confer M. M.'s. degree upon F. C. Bro. Clifford George Seaman within

the time limit, he being about leaving the jurisdiction, to reside in British Columbia.

May 11. Granted Keith Lodge, No. 17, Dispensation to instal Treasurer-elect at May meeting, he being absent through illness when the other officers were installed.

Granted Wallace Lodge, No. 76, Dispensation to wear Regalia at Divine Service in Church on 20th inst., that being the day fixed for the funeral of His late Majesty King Edward VII.

12. Granted Lodge of St. Mark's, No. 38, Dispensation to instal its Wor. Master, he being unavoidably absent on the regular night of installation of officers.

13. Granted Unity Lodge, No. 4, Dispensation to hold its regular monthly meeting on Friday, June 3rd, instead of Tuesday, June 7th, as many of its members will have left on last named date to attend Annual Communication of Grand Lodge at Wolfville, on June 8th.

Granted Ionic Lodge, No. 73, Dispensation to wear Regalia at Memorial Service, 20th inst.

14. Granted Western Star, No. 50, Dispensation for same purpose.

Acacia, No. 8, for same purpose.

Welsford, No. 26, for same purpose.

Annapolis Royal, No. 33, for same purpose.

Unity, No. 4, for same purpose.

Rothsay, No. 42, for same purpose.

Unity, No. 4, for same purpose.

Laurie, No. 70, for same purpose.

New Caledonia, No. 11, for same purpose.

Royal Albert, No. 19, for same purpose.

May 14. Minas, No. 67, for same purpose.

Zetland, No. 9, for same purpose.

Granted Hiram Lodge, No. 12, Dispensation to wear Regalia at Memorial Service, on 20th inst.

Granted Scotia, No. 28, Dispensation for same purpose.

Scotia, No. 31, for same purpose.

Charity, No. 60, Dispensation for same purpose.

St. Mark's, No. 35, Dispensation for same purpose.

St. George's, No. 20, Dispensation for same purpose.

16. Granted Union Lodge, No. 18, Dispensation to instal its Junior Warden at May meeting, he being absent from the jurisdiction when the other officers were installed.

DECISIONS.

1. Oct. 29th, 1910.—The following question was submitted by Welsford, No. 26: —"Can a Master Mason hailing from a subordinate Lodge under the jurisdiction of the Grand Lodge of Italy be admitted as a visitor in a Lodge in this jurisdiction?" I ruled as follows: "While we are not represented near that Grand Lodge, nor are we in correspondence with it no "EDICT" has ever been issued by the Grand Lodge of Nova Scotia prohibiting intercourse with the Grand Lodge of Italy, and a Master Mason representing himself as being under the Grand Lodge of Italy can be admitted as a visitor in any Lodge in our jurisdiction, provided he complies with the requirements of our Constitution regarding the examination of visitors and satisfying the examining committee that he is in good Masonic standing in his Lodge."

2. Nov. 22nd. In reply from Mariner's Lodge, No. 80, I ruled as follows:

"Regarding the application from Mariner's Lodge, No. 80, for ruling as to physical qualification of a Candidate who has lost part of the second and third fingers of his right hand, I am most reluctantly compelled to rule that the applicant is ineligible. (Smith, 30, 1905. Mackay, Book 2, Chap. 1, Page 100).

3. Jan. 27, 1910. In reply to question by W. M. of Zarthan Lodge, No. 82, I ruled:—

"Investigating Committee is not called upon to give their reasons for their findings either "Favourable or Unfavourable." It is sufficient for them to report one way or the other.

4. Feb. 11th.—In reply to question by Acadia Lodge, No. 8, ruled: "That a member of a Lodge who signs an application for a dispensation for the formation of a new Lodge still retains membership in his Lodge and is eligible to hold office in that Lodge until he applies for and is granted a Dimit in the usual way. Also, that during the time new Lodge is working under dispensation, members of other Lodges who have signed the application for the dispensation are eligible for appointment to any office in said Lodge, even whilst holding office in the Lodge of which he is a member.

Held:—That balloting for Candidates while a committee is examining visitors strictly illegal, but common practice which should not continue. (Digest, "Voting for Candidates.")

6. I received the following question under seal of Keith Lodge, No. 16, but the intervening time before the Annual Communication of Grand Lodge being so short, I refrained from ruling, preferring that Grand Lodge deal with the matter itself:

Question:—Is a widow whose first husband was a Master Mason in good standing at the time of his death, but whose second husband was not a member of the Craft, entitled to Masonic Charity and qualified for admittance (in this respect) to the "Nova Scotia Freemasons' Home," under Sec. 3, Page 9, of the By-laws of the "Home."

## CORNER LOT, CITY OF HALIFAX.

It is a fact known to you all that the first Masonic Temple in the City of Halifax stood at the corner of Barrington and Salter Sts., and when some years ago it was decided to erect a new building (the present one) this corner lot and building was disposed of and a lot of land at the corner of Granville and Salter Streets used for that purpose.

Land for land the lot now occupied by us was far inferior in every respect, both as regards location and value, to the original lot, but we take it for granted that our predecessors had some very good reason at that time for abandoning the original lot and building down the hill on an inferior site; that particular aspect of the case need not concern us at this present time.

In the report of the Trustees of the Freemasons' Hall, in the City of Halifax, for the year 1908-9, we find that the question of the purchase of the lot of land (commonly called the "Corner Lot") was discussed, and a Committee was appointed to secure an option on it until the close of our Annual Communication, in June, 1909.

The Committee on the report of the "Trustees" believed that the purchase of this lot of land would be a valuable acquisition to the Fraternity and greatly enhance the value of the present Masonic Temple.

The Grand Lodge, however, did not deal with the matter at that particular time and the purchase of the land was dropped for the time being.

Subsequently, it was learned that other parties were after it, and had offered the sum of $18,000 as a purchase price.

Some of the Brethren in the City of Halifax were then approached by the owners, offering the land to them for the sum of $16,000, they preferring that it be owned by the Masonic Fraternity, rather than by persons who might erect a purely business building and possibly not care who occupied the stores and offices, or that some business detrimental to the work of the Y. M. C. A. might be conducted in the new premises.

The Grand Master not being empowered to accept this offer on behalf of Grand Lodge, certain members of the Craft in and out of the City formed themselves into a "Masonic Realty Co., Ltd." under the Companies' Act, and purchased the property for the purpose, if Grand Lodge desired, of handing it over to them for Masonic purposes, they considered it would be a good paying business investment, however, if Grand Lodge did not care to take advantage of the opportunity offered.

Representatives from this Company will, I believe, lay this matter before you at this Communication, and will offer for your consideration certain plans as to the future of this Corner Lot, which I recommend Grand Lodge to carefully consider, as from knowledge which I am in possession of, I believe that a plan can be devised which will be for the material benefit of this Grand Lodge, financially and otherwise.

I believe that the dignity of this Grand Lodge demands that we have a more commodious and beautiful Temple in every respect, but at the same time I am absolutely opposed to any plan or scheme that will, in the least degree, increase the financial burden of this Grand Lodge.

I believe, however, that the representatives of this Company will be able to lay before you a plan which will increase rather than decrease the net value of this Grand Lodge, but whatever plan of scheme you may accept, if you accept any, the Grand Master, Deputy Grand Master, Grand Treasurer and Grand Secretary should be members by right of the Board of Directors of any Company undertaking this necessary work in which any of the funds of Grand Lodge as a Grand Lodge are invested.

## PAST RANK JEWELS.

It has come to my knowledge, through personal observation, that many of the Brethren throughout the jurisdiction are wearing Past Rank jewels which are not in conformity with those provided for in the Constitution, and I am of the opinion that in future the constitutional requirements in this respect be strictly followed out.

I would not have it understood that I believe that the present wearers should cease using the jewels which they now possess; which were presented to them in good faith for services rendered and which are worn in good faith; my remarks refer only to the future.

## TRAVELLING EXPENSES GRAND OFFICERS.

At Communications of Grand Lodge held outside the City of Halifax I am strongly of the opinion that the travelling expenses of the Grand Treasurer and Grand Secretary should be paid out of the funds of Grand Lodge.

The Grand Tyler now receives travelling expenses, and he has not the same responsibility as regards the making of correct Masonic History as has the Grand Treasurer and Grand Secretary.

These Brethren, if they attend, must pay their own expenses or get someone who is present to do their work, and however willing the volunteer Brother may be, he cannot, through want of experience, perform the duties of these officials as they should be.

The records and expenses of these Communications are important in every way and should be carefully kept.

## VISITATIONS TO LODGES.

Among the various duties devolving upon me during the last year, none has been more pleasing to me personally than the opportunity afforded of visiting officially the various Lodges in the jurisdiction.

While at times I feared I would be unable to complete these visitations, I am more than pleased to inform you that I have succeeded in visiting the seventy-three subordinate Lodges working under the jurisdiction of this Grand Lodge.

To do this has involved travelling since Nov. 2nd some 7,250 miles by rail, steamer and coach and only once have I failed in having a most interesting and enthusiastic Lodge meeting.

In the case of Eldorado, No. 32, I failed in having a meeting for the reasons set forth under heading, "Eldorado," No. 32, and Consolidation of Eldorado, No. 32, with Queens, No. 34.

I met the Brethren of the various Lodges in their own towns and in their usual Lodge rooms; as you will readily see an opportunity was thus afforded me of inspecting each Lodge room, how situated as regards the membership of the Lodge and many other matters that could only be understood by a personal inspectioin.

In very many of the Lodges in the outlying districts the larger number of their members travel from ten to twenty miles to attend their Lodge; it is such Brethren as these that are the backbone of Masonry in this jurisdiction and to them much praise and credit should be accorded as well as to these Brethren who never miss a Communication of their Lodge; on the other hand, I know to my own

personal knowledge of subscribing members of Lodges in this jurisdiction who never miss attending the Annual Communication of this Grand Lodge, who take a lively part in all discussions that may come before Grand Lodge, and yet, in cases of which I am aware of have not attended their own Lodge for years, nor any other Lodge as a matter of fact.

The Lodges in this jurisdiction want all the subscribing members they can get, they want all non-affiliates to affiliate, but they want above all a regular attendance of all their members residing within reach of their Lodge.

Of course it must not be understood that the foregoing remarks apply to commercial men or to those who have removed from the jurisdiction of their Lodge, this class, I am happy to say, again to my own personal knowledge, attend a Lodge meeting whenever possible.

It is only by a regular attendance that one can keep posted as to what is going on in Masonry, keep posted as regards the ritualistic rendering degrees and so acquire that knowledge which will enable them to pass any examination that may be required of them previous to visiting a strange Lodge.

On my visitations I have on several occasions asked those who I knew were members of the Craft, but could not vouch for, to visit with me; in many cases I received the reply: "I would like to attend with you, but I know I cannot pass an examination." This should not be, every member of the Craft should be able to prove himself a Mason in any part of the world; we have thousands of Masons in this jurisdiction who can do so with credit to themselves, but I regret to say a certain percentage who cannot.

These visitations of mine were made with the sole object of getting in touch with and meeting as many as possible of the members of each Lodge, of inspecting their work and of discussing any Masonic matter that might be for the benefit of the Lodge visited or for the Craft in general.

It was not my intention, nor did I, except in some cases, inspect their books; this I left for the District Deputy Grand Masters; in some cases, however, I looked at their minute books and I noted that

in some of the Lodges these books were not kept in accordance to the form laid down in the Constitution. I called their attention to the fact and I also informed the D. D. G. M.'s., requesting that they instruct the various Secretaries how these most important books should be kept.

In many of the Lodges I found almost priceless Charters, relics and other valuable Masonic articles exposed to the ravages of fire and a possible loss by theft by those who are not members of the Craft.

I cannot impress too strongly upon the members of these Lodges that articles of this description should be carefully preserved from loss, as only a few years ago one of our Lodges lost by fire their old English Charter, which it is now impossible to replace, the Grand Lodge of England being only willing to furnish us with the names of the original charter members.

This is only one case in point that shows the result of keeping such valuable relics exposed to dangers of various kinds.

On practically every visitation I had the pleasure of witnessing one or more of the degrees either worked on a Candidate or exemplified, and while without exception the various officers were well posted, were doing good Masonic work and on the best of Masonic material (when there was a candidate) the lack of uniformity was much in evidence.

In those Lodges in which I did not witness work a few questions on my part brought such answers in every case as convinced me that that particular Lodge was not in uniform with the work adopted by this Grand Lodge in 1906.

I am not permitted to write more fully on this subject, but I know the cause of this difference and the remedy, and at a later stage in the proceedings of this communication I will give them to you, verbally, if you desire.

The reception accorded me in every case was most cordial and courteous; many of the Lodges made me their guest while staying in their town, and every facility was afforded me for enjoyment, both in the Lodge and afterwards.

It is only by travelling as I did to strange towns, meeting many discouragements and discomforts on the way, but knowing that at the end of my day's journey I would be met by those who were my Brethren, cordially welcomed, conducted to the best quarters available, made to feel at home, and all the pleasures that the town might afford placed at my disposal.

It is by such receptions as these that one realizes the universality of Masonry and what Masonry means and stands for when applied as only a Mason understands its application.

Let me tender my thanks to the members of the Lodges personally and to the Lodges as Lodges for the very many great favors conferred upon me, and to express the hope that it may be within my power at no distant date to meet these Brethren in my home town and in a measure by acts rather than words, show my very great appreciation of their many kindly acts.

Following will be found a detailed statement (as brief as possible) of each of my visitations and if in any of them criticisms appear, I trust that they will be received in the spirit in which they are given—for the benefit of the Craft as a whole and of the Lodge referred to in particular.

Where the numbers reported present at any particular meeting may seem small, I think I am quite safe in saying that in practically every case at least fifty per cent. of the Lodge members were present.

With but one or two exceptions, refreshments were provided after the close of the evening's work, and many a pleasant and profitable hour was spent in this manner and if I do not make mention of this feature of my visitation in every case, it will be understood that the references are omitted to avoid constant repetition. I more than appreciated the thoughtfulness of the Lodges in this way, and I am of the firm belief that such refreshments tend to increase the interest in the social side of Masonry, which is too often neglected.

In some cases I found Lodges infringing upon the jurisdiction of others and I warned them of this fact and directed that they be more careful in the future.

1. St. Mark's, No. 35, Baddeck. Nov. 22nd. I visited this Lodge at an Emergent Communication, accompanied by Bro. A. H. Suther-

land. Thirty-five were present. No work was presented for inspection, but from information received I believe they are practically uniform. They own their own hall, which is one of the best in the jurisdiction. I consider this Lodge to be in a prosperous condition.

2. Sydney, No. 84, Sydney. Nov. 3rd.—Accompanied by R. W. Bros. Dickerson, D.D.G.M., and many P. G. L. Officers, I visited this Lodge at their regular communication. Seventy-five were present, and the M. M.'s. degree was conferred in a most excellent manner. They are considering the formation of a Lodge of instruction, which is most commendable on their part.

3. Sydney, No. 84, Sydney.—Visited them again, semi-officially, on Dec. 6th, and had the pleasure of seeing the E. A. degree conferred in the same excellent manner. The Lodge is making rapid progress and much enthusiasm prevails.

4. Tyrian Youth, No. 45, Glace Bay. Nov. 24th, with R. W. Brethren Treen, Dillon, Grant, Dickenson and other P. G. L. Officers I visited this Lodge at an emergent communication. Sixty were present and I more than regretted that I did not have the opportunity of seeing them at work. They own their hall which is well fitted up and ample for their requirements. The local miners' strike has affected them somewhat, but when this is ended I am convinced they will do a large amount of work in the future.

5. Royal Oak, No. 85, Sydney Mines. Visited this Lodge at their regular communication, on Nov. 5th, this being their third anniversary. Over one hundred were present and while no work was presented the lectures were passed in a most excellent manner. They meet in Oddfellows' Hall, which is beautifully fitted up and a credit to the owners. I was accompanied by R. W. Brethren Dickenson, P. D. G. M., MacKay, Treen, Dixon, and many other enthusiastic Masons. The Lodge is in fine shape and very much alive and a credit to this Grand Lodge.

6. Thistle, No. 36, Port Morien—Nov. 6th, through the great kindness of R. W. Bro. J. Glenn Grant, who drove me from Glace Bay to Port Morien, I was enabled to visit this Lodge at their regular communication on this date.

There were forty-five present, and while no work was presented for my inspection a most enjoyable evening was spent in general Masonic discussion.

They own their own building which is well furnished, and they are considering the fitting up of the lower part as a reading room and a general meeting place where the Brethren can congregate on other than Lodge nights, spend a pleasant hour in conversation and in other ways increase the social side of Masonry.

7. St. Andrew's, No. 7, Sydney.—On Nov. 8th accompanied by a large number of Grand Lodge Officers, including among others R. W. Brethren Dickenson, D.D G.M., McLean, Dillon, Dixon, Johnson, MacDonald and MacKay, I visited this Lodge at an emergent communication.

One hundred and twenty-five were present and I had the very great pleasure of witnessing the M. M.'s. degree conferred in a most solemn and impressive manner and by a staff of officers who were particularly well posted and lent that dignity to the work that is at all times to be desired.

In the City of Sydney, the "Iron City of the East," Masonry is in a most progressive condition.

8. Mariner's, No. 80, Louisburg.—An Emergent Communication of Grand Lodge having been summoned on Nov. 9th for the purpose of Dedicating the fine new hall of this Lodge, I took advantage of the opportunity offered and made by official visitation.

Seventy-five were present when Grand Lodge was most cordially received.

After the Dedication ceremonies were completed a general discussion took place on matters Masonic, taken part in by many of the visiting Brethren from Sydney and Glace Bay.

R. W. Bro. Dixon, to whom the erection of this new and commodious building is largely due, was present, and gave much interesting information as to the history of the Lodge.

R. W. Bro. Dickenson, D.D.G.M., who at my request had laid the corner stone, I being unable to be present at that time, gave some further facts regarding the standing of the Lodge in the past.

They are to be congratulated upon their enterprise and Grand Lodge may feel assured that Masonry in that section of the Province will be well looked after by Mariner's, No. 80.

9. Minas, No. 67, Parrsboro.—On Nov. 15th, accompanied by M. W. Bro. Smith, P.G.M., I visited this Lodge. Through some misunderstanding we did not enter the Lodge until 9.30 p.m., but then had the great pleasure of seeing the second part of the M. M.'s. degree conferred in a pleasing manner, but with the usual slight variations from the uniform. I am satisfied that Masonry is progressing in Parrsboro.

10. Ionic, No. 73, Middleton.—Accompanied by R. W. Brethren Morrison and Shafner I visited this Lodge on Nov. 23 at their regular communication.

I had the pleasure of inspecting them at work in the F. C.'s. degree which was well conferred, the work of the Senior Deacon being exceptionally well executed. The Lodge is in good condition in every respect and meet in a finely furnished rented hall and of ample size for their requirements.

Ionic may be considered as practically uniform with the work in the jurisdiction.

11. Annapolis Royal, No. 33, Annapolis.—On Nov. 24th, accompanied by R. W. Brethren Owen and Robinson, I had the privilege of seeing the F. C.'s. degree conferred by this Lodge in a most satisfactory manner, with but few variations from the uniform work.

I missed on this occasion the familiar face of our venerable and Reverend R. W. Bro. DeBlois, Permanent Grand Chaplain, who through illness was unable to be present.

I, however, called on him the next day and extended to him the sympathies of this Grand Lodge and expressed the hope that we might have the pleasure of his presence at this Annual Communication.

The Lodge meets in a rented hall, formerly owned by themselves; they are in good financial condition and progressing satisfactorily.

12. St. George's, No. 20, Wolfville.—On invitation I was present, on Nov. 26th, at the 125 anniversary of this Lodge.

Many distinguished Brethren were present when the Lodge was opened at 2 p.m., with forty-five present.

This was the real anniversary communication, when Masonic matters of various kinds were discussed, R. W. Bro. Hoare giving the history of the first one hundred years of the Lodge's existence, and R. W. Bro. MacKenna the last twenty-five. Both were most interesting and denoted much care and thought in their preparation, and should make valuable records to be carefully preserved in the archives of the Lodge.

In the evening a banquet was held, at which 125 Masons and their lady friends sat down.

Interesting speeches were made by the Master of the Lodge, R. Creighton, R. W. Bro. Oakes, D.D.G.M., R. W. Bro. Caldwell, R. W. Bro. Hoare, Wor. Bro. Chambers, W. Bro. Smith (of the G. L. of N. B.) and others.

St. George's is to be congratulated upon the success of the communication.

On April 8th, 1910, I visited them officially at their regular communication and had the great privilege of installing their officers, assisted by R. W. Bros. Oakes and MacKenna.

While I had not the pleasure of seeing them at work on this occasion, still as a constant visitor to this Lodge I know that the degrees are most excellently conferred and practically uniform with the work adopted by this Grand Lodge.

They meet in a rented hall, which is one of the best in the jurisdiction. The officers in the past have done good work, and I look for rapid progress under the new regime.

St. George's may be considered to be in a most excellent condition.

13. Truro, No. 43, Truro.—With R. W. Brethren Mowbray, Thompson, Logan and Alley I visited this Lodge at an emergent communication, on Nov. 29th.

Fifty members were present and the Lodge is in a most flourishing condition in every respect; they own their own building and their Lodge room is one of the most comfortable in the jurisdiction.

The M. M.'s. degree was conferred in a manner that left nothing to be desired and in nearly every respect uniform with the work adopted by this Grand Lodge.

A most profitable and pleasant evening was spent, and its memory will long remain with me. Truro Brethren are noted for their hospitality and they maintained their reputation on this occasion and without doubt the future of Masonry in the town of Truro is bright.

14. Solomon, No. 46, Hawkesbury.—At an emergent communication held on Nov. 30th, I visited this Lodge accompanied by R. W. Brethren Bain and Duff.

Some twenty-five members were present when we were received in due form; they own a beautiful building well fitted for the work.

While I did not have the pleasure of seeing them confer any of the degrees I know that they have several candidates in waiting and from information received their work varies very little from that adopted by this Grand Lodge. They are in good condition and doing good Masonic work for the interest of the Craft.

15. Inverness, No. 83, Inverness—Arriving at Inverness at a late hour on Dec. 1st, I visited this Lodge at their regular communication

There were twenty-five present and I owe the Lodge my sincere thanks for their patience in waiting for me, and my thanks are also due the Master and Warden who met me at the station.

They meet in Orange Hall which is most inconveniently arranged and hardly suited for our work.

I had the opportunity of seeing the M. M.'s. degree conferred in a most creditable manner and varying but slightly from that adopted by Grand Lodge.

They are considering the formation of a Masonic Club, which no doubt will increase the interest on the social side of Masonry in that district and no doubt will build up their Lodge.

The Lodge is in a fairly prosperous condition and I look for better times for them when the strike which now exists has been settled.

16. Sircom, No. 66, Whycocomagh.—After a hard and disagreeable drive from Mabou, I arrived at Whycocomagh in time to visit this Lodge at their regular communication on Dec. 2nd.

I had the pleasure of meeting twenty of their members, and while no work was presented a most enjoyable and profitable evening was spent.

This is the only Lodge in the jurisdiction that required me to pass an examination prior to my entering the Lodge room and while they felt a great deal of diffidence about asking me to undergo any examination, I wish to congratulate and commend them for this act. While I am aware that some in this jurisdiction hold that the G. Master and other Grand Officers on official visitations are exempt from an examination I wish to go on record as one who believes that a Grand Master or any other Grand Lodge Officer is subject to the same law as regards visitors, whom no member of the Lodge can vouch for.

In the case of the other Lodges I know that there were members present who at times had met me, either in Grand Lodge, or in some subordinate Lodge.

Sircom Lodge, not having been represented at the last communication of Grand Lodge, none of its members had met me in any Lodge.

In other jurisdiction the Grand Master on his official visitations is susally accompanied by a suite of officers, amongst them being a Grand Director of Ceremonies or Grand Marshal, who precedes the Grand Master into the Lodge and announces his presence, and if necessary vouches for the Grand Master, he himself having first passed the necessary examination.

I have gone into this matter at some length in order to settle the question once and for all as to whether a Grand Master, a D. D. G. M. and other Grand Lodge Officers on official visitations are subject to examination.

While small in numbers and limited as to their material, Sircom Lodge is in good condition. They own their own hall, and are considering the formation of a Masonic Club.

17. Royal Albert, No. 19, North Sydney.—Accompanied by R. W. Brethren Dickenson, Treen, Reid, Johnson, Graham, Publicover, MacKay and a large number of Grand Lodge members, as well as a large number from Royal Oak, No. 5, I visited this Lodge at an emergent communication, on Dec. 3rd.

Forty-five of their members were present and the second section of the F. C.'s. degree was exemplified in a most excellent manner and uniform with the adopted work.

They rent their hall, which is furnished second to none in the jurisdiction.

The Lodge is most prosperous in every respect and is without doubt advancing the interests of Masonry in that section of the jurisdiction. I owe them many thanks for making me their guest while I was in North Sydney.

18. Temple, No. 57, Mulgrave.—This Lodge while only recently resuscitated, is doing good work and on my visitation on Dec. 7th, accompanied by W. Brethren MacDonald and Publicover, of Sydney, and R. W. Bro. Reynolds, of Mulgrave, I found some thirty members present at this emergent Communication.

To R. W. Bro. Reynolds is largely due the present prosperous condition of the Lodge and I look for a rapid increase in their membership, as they have at their command most excellent Masonic material.

I had not the opportunity of seeing them at work in any of the degrees, but I am informed that their work differs but slightly from that adopted by this Grand Lodge.

19. Canso, No. 79, Canso.—Accompanied by R. W. Bro. Morgan, D.D.G.M., and Wor. Bro. Publicover, of Sydney, I visited Canso, No. 79, at an emergent communication on Dec. 8th.

Thirty of the members were present and I had the very great pleasure of seeing the M. M.'s. degree conferred in a very satisfac- manner and differing in no essential from that adopted by G. L.

A general discussion took place on Masonic affairs and exception was taken by some of the members to one of the By-laws of the "Home," and I trust that some of the prominent speakers on that occasion will bring the matter in question before this Grand Lodge.

The Lodge is in good condition and has many enthusiastic workers in its ranks.

20. Eastern Light, No. 72, Guysboro.—While this Lodge is small in numbers, many of its members being scattered throughout the world, I had the pleasure of meeting fifteen of their most active workers, when accompanied by R. W. Bro. Hart and Wor. Bro. Parsons, of Ionic, No. 73, I visited them on Dec. 9th.

No work was presented, but a most profitable and pleasant evening was spent in general discussion. This Lodge had some little objection to the policy of the "Home," but were most courteous in their expressions and were open to reason and conviction. There are no more enthusiastic Masons in the jurisdiction than the members of this Lodge.

21. Eastern Star, No. 51, Dartmouth.—At an emergent communication of Grand Lodge I visited this Lodge at their regular communication, on Dec. 14th, for the purpose of dedicating their beautiful new hall.

A very heavy southeast gale was blowing which prevented many from crossing the harbor, but notwithstanding this some one hundred and thirty-five were present, when Grand Lodge was received in due form.

After the interesting dedication ceremonies had been completed some most interesting speeches were listened to, some of the speakers being M. W. Bro. C. R. Smith, P.G.M., R. W. Bro. Crowe, D.G.M., M. W. Bro. Archibald, P.G.M., R. W. Bro. Simmonds, P.D.D.G.M., and other prominent Masonic workers.

Eastern Star Lodge is to be congratulated upon the magnificent quarters which they now occupy and upon their enterprise, thus advancing the interests of Masonry throughout the entire jurisdiction.

They are doing considerable work on the best of Masonic material, and it is unnecessary for me to say that they are in a flourishing condition.

22. Rothesay, No. 41, Bridgetown.—On Dec. 23rd I visited this Lodge at their regualr communication and found some forty-five of their members present.

I had the pleasure on this occasion of the company of R. W. Brethren Fay and Anderson, and I more than appreciated their presence.

The E. A. degree was conferred in a manner that could not be excelled; upon the completion of this degree the M. M.'s. was then conferred on three candidates in a most impressive manner by the Wor. Master W. Bro. Otterson, assisted by R. W. Bro. Shafner, of Ionic, No. 73.

They own their own hall, which is well furnished and most convenient for their work.

Rothsay is in good shape and a credit to this Grand Lodge.

23. Kentville, No. 58, Kentville.—On Dec. 29, accompanied by R. W. Bro. Oakes, D.D.G.M., R. W. Brother DeDWitt, Wor. Brethren Sleep and Creighton, and Brethren Gilmore and Hales, all of St. George's Lodge, No. 20, I visited this Lodge on the night of their regular communication.

The M. M.'s. degree was conferred in a very acceptable manner by the W. Master, A. M. Shaw, the work differing in some respects from that adopted by this Grand Lodge.

The Lodge is in good condition in every respect and is growing in membership rapidly. They meet in a rented hall, commodious and well furnished.

24. St. John's, No. 2, Halifax.—This being my Mother Lodge, and being still a member of it, perhaps it would be as well for me to refrain from offering much criticism, either favourable or unfavourable.

I visited them on Jan. 3rd, their regular communication. I had the pleasure of having with me, R. W. Bro. Crowe, D.G.M., R. W. Bro. Thompson, D.D.G.M., R. W. Bro. Mowbray, Grand Secretary; M. W. Bro. Ross, P.G.M., and R. W. Brethren Puttner, Campbell and Soper.

The E. A. degree was conferred in a most pleasing manner and strictly in accordance with the work that this Lodge is authorized to do; it is entirely different from the work of every Lodge in the jurisdiction, with one exception,, and the articles of union allow them to retain this old English or Emulation work which has been the practice in this Lodge since its organization, in 1780. A very pleasant evening was passed in discussing Masonic work of various kinds. The Lodge is in good condition and is doing a fair amount of work.

25. Keith, No. 23, Stellarton.—With R. W. Bro. Eastwood, D. D. G.M., R. W. Bro. Fraser and Wor. Brethren MacDonald and Gass I visited Keith on Jan. 4th, their regular communication.

They own their hall, which is one of the best in the jurisdiction and well equipped in every respect.

Forty-five were present when the M. M.'s. degree was conferred in a most satisfactory manner, their work differing slightly from the uniform.

The Treasurer of the Lodge has been in office for thirty-four years, which is a record to be proud of, and Wor. Bro. McQuarrie may feel assured that few others in the jurisdiction have held any office for such a length of time.

Keith Lodge is doing good work for the interests of Masonry in that particular locality.

26. Hudson, No. 77, Thorburn.—With R. W. Bro. Eastwood, D.D.G.M., and Bro. Wier, of Albion, No. 5, I visited this Lodge at an emergent communication, on Jan. 5th.

Twenty-six members were present and while no work was presented for inspection, a profitable evening was spent discussing Masonic affairs of interest to the Craft.

They are in a flourishing condition and have good prospects for the future. They meet in a rented hall.

27. Western Star, No. 50, Westville.—R. W. Brethren Fraser and MacKay accompanied me on this, my official visitation, on Jan. 6th, this being an emergent communication.

No work was presented, but from information received I am satisfied that the Lodge is doing good Masonic work and is in a flourishing condition. They own their own hall, which is the equal of any in the jurisdiction. My visit to Western Star will be long remembered by me for the many friendships there made, and for the hospitality shown me.

28. Albion, No. 5. New Glasgow.—It was with a great deal of pleasure that, accompanied by R. W. Brethren Eastwood and Fraser, that I visited this Lodge at an emergent communication, on Jan. 7th.

I had the opportunity of inspecting them at work in the M. M.'s. degree, the work being conferred in a particularly satisfactory manner and differing but slightly from that authorized. They own their hall, it being well furnished in a most substantial manner.

Some fifty members were present, and I consider Albion to be a good live Lodge and working for the advancement of Masonry.

29. New Caledonia, No. 11, Pictou.—At an emergent communication, held on January 11th, I visited this Lodge, accompanied by R. W. Bro. Eastwood, D.D.G.M., and Webster, and had the pleasure of meeting thirty-two of the Brethren in Lodge.

No work was presented, but they offered to exemplify the M. M.'s. degree if I desired, but being satisfied that they were well posted in the adopted work and more than capable of exemplifying it in a most satisfactory manner, I did not require them to do so, but thought that a general discussion as to the condition of the Craft would prove both beneficial and instructive.

They rent the hall in which they meet; it is well fitted up and an improvement on their old one, which was destroyed by fire a few years ago, they losing at that time most of their paraphernalia and their valuable old charter.

New Caledonia is making rapid progress and is certainly in a most excellent condition.

30. Wallace, No. 76, Wallace.—With twenty members of the Lodge present I had the privilege of visiting this Lodge, on Jan. 12th, it being an emergent communication. They meet in a room over the Armoury, and while their rent is low the room is entirely unfitted for Masonic work in many particulars. I spent a pleasant time in Wallace and thank the Brethren for their courtesy.

No work was presented, but from information I received I believe their work is well done, differing but slightly from that approved by this Grand Lodge.

31. Acadia, No. 13, Pugwash.—Accompanied by R. W. Brethren Brown and Borden I visited this Lodge at an emergent communication, on Jan. 13th.

Twenty-two were present when the M. M.'s. degree was conferred in a highly satisfactory manner and practically uniform with that authorized. Their room is small, but comfortably furnished, and they have quite a number of accepted material for the various degrees.

On March 18th, 1910, they lost their hall by fire, together with most of their paraphernalia, and I issued them a Dispensation to hold their meetings in Oddfellows' Hall until such time as they might acquire new quarters.

I trust that the day may soon come, when, from the ashes a new building may arise which may be a credit to the Brethren within the jurisdiction of Acadia, 13. They are in good condition, financially and otherwise, and are making satisfactory progress.

32. Wimburn, No. 75, Oxford.—On Jan. 14th I visited this Lodge at an emergent communication. Eighteen members were present, and while no work was attempted, I am satisfied that they are well posted in every particular. I had been informed that I might fail in having a meeting, but I am pleased to say that these reports were unfounded, and the meeting turned out to be one of the brightest and most profitable I had attended up to that time.

Many of their members live a long distance from the Lodge, but are regular attendants and take a lively interest in all Lodge affairs. I remained in until the Lodge closed and the closing ceremonies were beyond criticism, and could not be surpassed by any Lodge in the jurisdiction.

My personal thanks are due to Wor. Bro. Dunsmore for courtesies shown and to the Lodge for making me their guest while in Oxford. They meet in Oddfellows' Hall, which is finely furnished and a credit to that organization.

33. Virgin, No. 3, Halifax.—Accompanied by M. W. Bro. D. C. Fraser, P.G.M., R. W. Bro. Crowe, D.G.M., R. W. Bro. Mowbray, G. Sec'y., R. W. Bro. Thompson, D.D.G.M., R. W. Bro. Stephens, P.D.G.M., and many other Grand Lodge and Past Grand Lodge Officers, I visited this Lodge at their regular communication, on Jan. 24th.

Twenty-five of their members were present to receive the representatives of the Grand Lodge.

No work was presented, but the lecture of the F. C.'s. degree (Emulation work) was passed between the W. Master and the J. W. in a most excellent manner and as practiced by Lodges working under the Grand Lodge of England this Lodge having retained its original work from its organization in 1784, being authorized to do so by this Grand Lodge.

On behalf of Albion Lodge, No. 5, I had the very great pleasure of presenting to M. W. Bro. Fraser, P.G.M., and Lieut.-Gov. of the Province with a Past Master's jewel, as a memento of St. John's Day, 1909, when he had travelled to New Glasgow to be present with his Mother Lodge.

M. W. Bro. Fraser was more than surprised at this unexpected presentation and spoke in a most feeling manner of his long connection with Albion Lodge.

Virgin, No. 3, is in good condition and doing a fair amount of work, but I look for more work from them in the future.

34. Philadelphia, No. 47, Barrington Passage.—I visited this Lodge on Feb. 1st, it being their regular communication.

Wor. Bros. Lyons and Trefry accompanied me and introduced me to the Lodge.

Thirty members were present, many of them coming from distances up to eighteen miles, and this on a cold winter night, with snow falling.

The second section of the M. M.'s. degree was exemplified, varying in some respects from the uniform work, but at the same time most creditably performed.

They own their building and their Lodge room is well furnished; the Lodge is in an excellent condition and they are doing considerable work.

35. Concord, No. 24, Clark's Harbor.—This is one of the most progressive Lodges in the jurisdiction, and fifty were present on Feb. 2nd when I visited them officially.

The second section of the M. M.'s. degree was exemplified in a satisfactory manner, varying, however, in one most important feature, on which point I gave them information.

My visit to Concord was most enjoyable and profitable, and I consider this Lodge in splendid condition and look for a largely increased membership in the near future, they having the best of material to draw from.

36. Harmony, No. 56, Port Clyde.—I visited this Lodge at an emergent communication, on Feb. 3rd, being introduced to the Lodge by Wor. Bros. Swaine and MacLaren.

Thirty of their members were present, many of them driving twelve to fifteen miles.

They have a fine new building, which is well furnished in all respects.

The second section of the M. M.'s. degree was exemplified, and while the officers were well posted in the particular work they were practicing, it varied considerably from that adopted by this Grand Lodge, in 1906.

The Lodge is in a prosperous condition and has a large membership, which is constantly being increased.

37. Prince of Wales, No. 29, Milton.—At an emergent communication, held at 7.30 p.m., on Feb. 4th, I paid my official visitation to this Lodge.

Bro. Johnson, at that time the Inner Guard of the Lodge, kindly drove me from Liverpool, through one of the worst blizzards of the season; to say that I appreciated the great kindness is unnecessary, for as a matter of fact I would have had great difficulty in reaching the Lodge but for him.

Notwithstanding the severe storm I had the pleasure of meeting eighteen of their members and witnessed the exemplification of the second section of the M. M.'s. degree with a great deal of interest, as it was not only well worked, but was practically uniform with the Ancient York Rite.

R. W. Bro. Ford accompanied me on this visitation, and it is largely owing to his efforts that this Lodge is in such an excellent condition.

38. Zetland, No. 9, Liverpool.—Returning from Milton after my visitation to Prince of Wales, No. 29, I visited Zetland, about 9.30 p.m., on Feb. 4th, at an emergent communication, R. W. Bro. Scobie accompanying me.

I met twenty-five of the Brethren, and while no work was presented, I know from the composition of this Lodge that its members are capable of and are doing good Masonic work.

They own their hall, which is well fitted and amply large for their requirements. Zetland is in a satisfactory condition and is making steady progress.

39. Royal Standard, No. 398, Registry England.—In order to increase, if possible, that friendly feeling which happily exists between this Grand Lodge and the Grand Lodge of England, I paid a fraternal visit to Royal Standard, No. 398, R. E., on Feb. 8th, this being their regular night of meeting.

I was accompanied by many of my Grand Lodge Officers and received a most cordial welcome by the fifty-five of the members of the Lodge.

I extended the fraternal greetings of this Grand Lodge to the Grand Lodge of England and wished them all prosperity.

No work was in progress, and this I regretted as this Lodge has the reputation of being most exact in every particular, as one would naturally expect from those actively engaged in military and naval work; their work, however, is well known to me, as I have on many other occasions been present when candidates were receiving their degrees.

My fraternal visitation to Royal Standard will long remain in my memory.

40. Athole, No. 45, Halifax.—I visited this Lodge at their regular communication, on Feb. 9th, and was accompanied by R. W. Brethren MacAloney, Grand Treasurer, Mowbray, G. Secretary, and other prominent Masons from the City of Halifax.

Forty were present when the M. M.'s. degree was conferred in a satisfactory manner and varying but slightly from that adopted by the Grand Lodge.

A most pleasant and profitable evening was spent, and Athole Lodge may be considered to be in a prosperous condition; it could not be otherwise when the composition of its membership is taken into account, some of the best posted and active workers in Masonry being connected with it.

41. Keith, No. 17, Halifax.—Twenty were present, when accompanied by R. W. Bro. Crowe, D.G.M., R. W. Bro. Mowbray, Grand Secretary, R. W. Brethren Campbell, Puttner, Soper, M. B. Bro. Cossmann, P.G.M., Farquharson, Freeman, Dixon and others, I visited this Lodge, on Feb. 10th, their regular Communication.

The work presented was the F. C.'s. degree, which was conferred in a satisfactory manner and practically uniform with some other Lodges.

I believe that Keith has a bright future before it, and no doubt will largely increase its membership this coming year. They may be considered to be in a satisfactory condition.

42. Lodge of St Mark, No. 38, Halifax.—Accompanied by R. W. Bro. Crowe, D. G. M., R. W. Bro. Mowbray, G. Sec'y.; M. W. Bro. Cossman, P. G. M.; R. W. Bro. Campbell, P. S. G. W., and other Grand Lodge officers, I was received in a most cordial manner when I visited this Lodge, on Feb. 11th, their regular night of meeting.

No work was presented, but I am satisfied that the Lodge is in a healthy condition, and that they are very well posted in the Ancient York Rite.

43. Acadia, No. 14, Halifax.—Accompanied by some of the Grand Lodge officers I visited this Lodge, on Feb. 14th, their regular communication, there being twenty-five members present, when we were most cordially received.

I had not the opportunity of judging as to their ability in conferring degrees, but from personal knowledge I can safely say that that they are quite qualified to do good Masonic work in every respect.

They have done considerable work during the past year, and the outlook for the future is bright. I believe them to be in a satisfactory condition, both financially and otherwise.

44. Scotia, No. 31, Yarmouth.—With R. W. Bro. Vickery, J.G.W.; W. Bro. MacKay, D.D.G.M.; R. W. Bro. Murray Lawson, P.D.G.M., and many other Grand and P. G. Lodge Officers, I visited this Lodge at their regular communication, on Feb. 21st.

Seventy-five were present when the second section of the M. M.'s. degree was exemplified in a most creditable manner, differing but slightly from that adopted by this Grand Lodge.

A very pleasant and profitable evening was spent and after labor was suspended a magnificent banquet was served at the Grand Hotel by the two Yarmouth Lodges, Hiram, No. 12, and Scotia, No. 31, at which many distinguished guests were present, both from this Grand Lodge and other Grand Lodges with which we are in fraternal intercourse; many interesting speeches were listened to and much profitable information acquired.

My visit to Scotia Lodge and the hospitality of the Yarmouth Brethren will be remembered be me for many a long day. I was the guest of the Brethren of both Lodges, which is more than appreciated by me.

Scotia Lodge is making rapid progress and much enthusiasm prevails amongst its members.

45. Zarthan, No. 82, Pubnico.—On Feb. 22nd, accompanied by R. W. Bro. Vickery, J.G.W., I had the very great pleasure of visiting this Lodge at an emergent communication.

They own their hall, which is a most convenient building in every respect, their room being nicely furnished and decorated in a most tasteful manner.

Twenty-two were present and the M. M.'s. degree was conferred on one candidate, and while most creditable in every respect, differing slightly from the York Rite.

They are enthusiastic workers and deserve much credit for their enterprise in the erection of their fine building. Zarthan is in a satisfactory condition.

46. Albert, No. 30, Shelburne.—On Feb. 23rd I visited this Lodge at an emergent communication. Twenty-six were present and the second section of the M. M.'s. degree was exemplified in an excellent manner and practically uniform.

They rent their hall and while well furnished is somewhat small for Masonic work.

The Lodge is in good condition and progressing in a satisfactory manner.

47. Taylor, No. 62, Lockeport.—Accompanied by R. W. Bro. Ruggles, P.D.D.G.M., I paid my official visitation to this Lodge, on Feb. 24th, an emergent communication.

Thirty-five members were present and the E. A. degree was conferred in a highly satisfactory manner.

Like other Lodges in this section, many of their members have long distances to travel to Lodge meetings, and they deserve much credit for their enthusiasm. The Lodge is in good condition and they own their own building, which is well suited for their requirements in every respect.

48. Charity, No. 69, Mahone.—On this visitation I had the pleasure of the company of R. W. Bro. W. H. MacDonald, D.D.G.M., R. W. Bro. Slawenwhite, S.G.D., and Wor. Bro. Lohnes, of LaHave, No. 81.

The second section of the M. M.'s. degree was exemplified in a satisfactory manner and practically as used in this jurisdiction.

Twenty-six members were present and a most profitable and interesting evening was spent.

Their Lodge room is well furnished and I presume suitable for their requirements or they would make a change.

Charity is in good condition and making a steady growth.

49. Laurie, No. 70, Springhill.—I had been informed that owing to the strike in progress in this town that it would be impossible for me to meet the Brethren of this Lodge, but being determined to meet the Brethren of the entire jurisdiction in their own Lodge rooms, I notified the Lodge that I would be there on Feb. 28th, and wanted to meet at least one of their members in their Lodge room. The consequence of this stand on my part was that I had the great pleasure of meeting thirty-two of their members, and while no work was presented, I was convinced that Laurie can do good work and that it is, notwithstanding the strike, very much alive, and in the future, when this regrettable state of affairs has been settled, I look for Laurie to do great work for the cause of Masonry in Springhill.

They meet in Oddfellows' Hall, which is most convenient in every respect.

I had the pleasure of the company of R. W. Bro. Patton, of the G. L. of New Brunswick, on this occasion, and appreciated his presence more than I can tell.

50. Alexandra, U.D., Amherst.—My fiftieth visitation was made to this Lodge at an emergent communication, on March 1st, accompanied by R. W. Brethren Donkin, P.D.G.M.; Munro, P.D.D.G.M., and Wor. Bro. Patton, of the G. L. of N. B.

The E. A. degree was conferred in an excellent manner which was not surprising to me as its members are all experienced in Masonic work and should a charter issue I have no doubt will give a good account of themselves. They meet in the Lodge room of Acacia, No. 8, and the best of feeling exists between the two Lodges.

51. King Edward, No. 86, River Hebert.—With forty-one members present I visited this Lodge at an emergent communication, on March 2nd, and had the very great pleasure of being accompanied by M. W. Bro. Smith, P.G.M., R. W. Bro. Logan, D.D.G.M.; Bro. Morrison, of Alexandra, U.D., and Bro. Patton, of the G. L. of N. B.

The M. M.'s. degree was conferred in a manner that left nothing be desired, differing but slightly from that adopted by this Grand Lodge.

The Lodge hold their meetings in a rented hall, but are considering the erection of a building of their own, and as they are all most enthusiastic Masons I look for this as an accomplished fact before the year is out. The condition of the Lodge is most excellent. After the labours of the evening, refreshments were served, at which the lady friends of the members were present, and this brought to a close a most successful visitation.

52. Acacia, No. 8, Amherst.—This Lodge was visited by me at their regular communication, on March 5th.

I was accompanied by M. W. Bro. Smith, P.G.M.; R. W. Bro. Bent, P.D.D.M.; Bros. Florence, Christie, Morrison and other prominent members of the Craft.

The M. M.'s. degree was conferred by R. W. Bro. Munro in a most excellent and pleasing manner in the presence of some fifty of the Lodge members. The kindness shown to me by the members of this Lodge and the Brethren in Amherst will never be forgotten, and I look upon my visitations to Amherst and District No. 6 as most successful and pleasant in every respect, and there is no district where Masonry is more prosperous. Grand Lodge may rest assured that Masonry is in good hands in the town of Amherst, and that Acacia Lodge is advancing the interests of the Craft to the utmost of its ability.

58. Hiram, No. 12, Yarmouth.—On March 7th, with R. W. Bro. Vickery, S. G. W., R. W. Bros. Bingay, Putnam and others I visited this Lodge, my reception being exceptional and more than cordial.

The M. M.'s. degree was conferred in a very satisfactory manner and practically uniform with that adopted.

They meet in a rented hall, which is commodious and particularly well furnished.

Hiram is in excellent condition and now, as in the past, is doing good work on good Masonic material.

54. Acacia, No. 39, Bridgewater.—Accompanied by R. W. Bro. Slawenwhite, I visited this Lodge at their regular communication, on March 8th.

Fifty-five were present and I had the great pleasure of installing their officers.

The Lodge is in a most prosperous condition and is considering moving to a larger hall, the present one being too small for their requirements.

They have done considerable work during the past year and, being situated in the bustling little town of Bridgewater, they are enabled to command good Masonic material at all times, and look for quality rather than for quantity.

55. Unity, No. 4, Lunenburg.—Sixty of the members of this Lodge were present on March 9th, when accompanied by R. W. Bro. Wolfe, P.D.G.M.; R. W. Bro. MacDonald, D.D.G.M., and V. W. Bro. Slawenwhite, S.G.D., I entered the Lodge. My reception was most

cordial and I was asked to instal the officers-elect, but R. W. Bro. Merlin, P.D.D.G.M., of District No. 1, and of St. Andrew's Lodge, No. 1, being present, and knowing his ability along those lines I arranged for him to do the work, which he did with credit to himself and benefit to those present.

They meet in a rented hall, which is well furnished and quite suitable for Masonic work.

The Lodge is in a satisfactory condition and they are doing a large amount of work, with more work ahead.

56. Clarke, No. 61, Chester.—On their regular communication, on March 10th, I visited this Lodge and found eighteen of their members present, the M.M.'s. degree being conferred in a highly satisfactory manner.

They own their hall and are making steady progress; they may be considered to be in good condition, financially and otherwise, and their prospects for the future are bright.

57. LaHave, No. 81, Riverport.—This Lodge had sixty members present when I visited them at an emergent communication, on March 11th.

I had the company of R. W. Bro. McDonald, D.D.G.M., V. M. Bro. Slawenwhite and a number of members from Unity, No. 4

The M. M.'s. degree was excellently conferred and practically uniform; they have a large number of members of good Masonic material and their hospitality is unbounded.

They meet in a rented hall, which I believe will be entirely too small for them at a very early date if they keep on doing the amount of work in the future that they have in the past. They are in a very prosperous condition, and Grand Lodge may feel proud of LaHave, No. 81.

58. Harmony, No. 52, Aylesford.—I had the pleasure of visiting this Lodge at an emergent communication, on March 14th.

Twenty-two were present and while no work was attempted I had the privilege, assisted by W. Bro. Smith, of New Brunswick, in installing their officers. They meet in a rented hall; they are making

fair progress when it is taken into consideration that the great West is claiming many of our young men, those who we can ill-afford to lose, and who would make good Masons, and as a natural consequence good citizens. Harmony may be considered to be in a healthy condition.

59. Union, No. 18, Halifax.—With a number of Grand Lodge Officers I visited this Lodge, at their regular communication, on March 21st.

Eighteen of their members were present and the F. C.'s. degree was conferred in a most satisfactory manner and uniform with the work adopted by this Grand Lodge.

The examination passed by the candidate was most excellent and reflected great credit upon all concerned.

While this Lodge has a fairly large membership, a large proportion of its members are travelling men, being employed in railway work on the I. R. C. and C. P. R., hence it is hard for them to secure a large Lodge meeting at all times.

The Lodge is doing good work and is making steady progress.

60. Mechanic's, No. 78, Caledonia.—This being the first time in the history of the Lodge that they had had the opportunity of receiving a visit from a Grand Master, it is unnecessary for me to say that my reception was more than cordial.

It was on March the 22nd that I paid them this official visitation, and I had the pleasure of meeting thirty of their members in the Lodge room when I arrived late at night. I more than appreciated their great patience in waiting the arrival of my train, and I enjoyed every minute of my visitation.

The M. M.'s. degree was exemplified in a most satisfactory manner, varying but little from that adopted.

They own their hall, which is well fitted up in every respect, the lower part being for the use of the public.

This Lodge has suffered, in common with others in the jurisdiction, by the young men of the district moving away, but it is to be hoped that in the near future work will be resumed in the gold mines, when Caledonia will again take on its former activity.

The Lodge is in good condition, however, and while their progress is slow, they are forging ahead steadily.

61. Keith, No. 16, Bear River.—On April 4th I visited this Lodge, it being their regular communication.

W. Bro. Archibald met me at Deep Brook and drove me to Bear River, some four miles, and for which I owe him my gratitude.

I was accompanied by R. W. Bro. Anderson, P.D.D.G.M., of Rothesay, No. 41; R. W. Bro. Ruggels, P.P.D.G.M., and W. Bro. Clarke.

This was a very busy evening as I had the pleasure of installing their officers and inspecting them at work in the M. M.'s. degree, the latter being most excellently conferred and a credit to all concerned.

While in Bear River I was the guest of Bro. Romans, and deeply appreciate his kindness.

They own their hall and are considering enlarging it, which is certainly an indication that they are progressing rapidly. Keith Lodge, while it has done good work in the past, bids fair to surpass itself in the future.

62. King Solomon, No. 54, Digby.—On April 5th, accompanied by R. W. Bro. Driffield, Grand Chaplain; R. W. Bro. Reid and Jones, and W. Bro. Smith, Master of Keith, No. 16, I visited this Lodge at their regular communication.

No work was presented, but they have done some little work during the year. I had the pleasure of installing their officers, after which an interesting discussion took place on various Masonic matters. They meet in a rented hall, which is well furnished and suitable for Masonic work in every respect. I consider them to be in good condition.

63. Scotia, No. 28, Canning.—Accompanied by Wor. Bros. Wheaton and Creighton, and Bro. Robinson, of St. George's, No. 20, I visited this Lodge at their regular communication, on April 6th.

I had not the opportunity of witnessing their work, but I had the pleasure of installing their officers for the coming year.

The Lodge is doing some work, and may be considered to be in good condition.

Wor. Bros. Northup and Payzant assisted materially towards the enjoyment of the evening.

Much enthusiasm prevails in Canning, and I look for prosperous times for Scotia; they meet in a rented hall, which while not large, is comfortably furnished and quite suitable for their purpose.

64. North Star, No. 74, Londonderry.—This Lodge is in a most excellent condition, and when accompanied by R. W. Bro. Logan, D.D. G.M., (whose presence I more than appreciated), I visited this Lodge at their regular communication, on April 7th. I was most cordially received by some thirty of their members.

It was more than a pleasure to me to instal their officers, and I feel convinced that Masonry is forging ahead within the jurisdiction of this Lodge.

R. W. Bro. Waddell, P.D.D.G.M., accompanied me from Truro, No. 43, and assisted me materially in carrying out the duties devolving upon me on this occasion.

65. Welsford, No. 26, Windsor.—With R. W. Bro. Mowbray, G. S., and R. W. Bro. Oakes, D.D.G.M., I visited this Lodge, on April 14th, their regular communication.

Forty members were present and their officers were installed by R. W. Bro. Christie, P.S.G.W., in a most creditable manner.

They meet in a beautiful little Lodge room, and while perhaps it is the smallest in the jurisdiction, there are none better furnished or more suitable for Masonic purposes.

The Lodge is in good condition and harmony and enthusiasm prevails amongst its members.

66. Widow's Son, No. 48, River Philip.—With Bros. Dunsmore, Smith and Hunter I drove from Oxford, on April 18th, and had a most pleasant visitation to this Lodge.

Fourteen of their members were present out of a membership of seventeen, and while no work took place the matter of the "Home" and the removal of the Lodge to Collingwood Corner, brought out some lively discussion.

While the Lodge is not making much progress, owing to lack of material, it is at the same time holding its own.

67. Corinthian, No. 63, Great Village.—On April 18th I visited this Lodge at an emergent communication.

I was accompanied by a large number of the members of Truro, No. 43, and North Star, No. 74, including amongst others, R. W. Bro. Logan, D.D.G.M., and R. W. Bros. Crowe and Waddell, P.D.D.G. Mis., and many other enthusiastic workers in the Craft.

No work was on hand, and on request I installed the officers-elect.

Corinthian is not making that progress which I would like to see, and as I feel assured they could, possibly the reason may be that many of their members live a long way from the Lodge, some of them at Bass River, and I can quite understand that when the roads are bad it is difficult for them to attend, and of course in this case the meetings are bound to be small.

Many Masonic matters were discussed, amongst them being the "Home," and the non-admittance to the same of one of their members. I am making certain suggestions in re this special case, and I am sure you will give it your serious consideration.

68. Freeport, No. 65, Freeport.—I found everything very satisfactory in this Lodge on my visitation to them at an emergent communication on April 26th.

Twenty of their members were present, and an interesting evening was spent discussing Masonic matters.

I am more than indebted to the Lodge and to Bro. Hains for personal courtesies shown me while in Freeport.

I had the pleasure of meeting Wor. Bro. Bowers, who was chiefly instrumental in resuscitating the Lodge after being dormant since 1879.

The Lodge is now in a prosperous condition, and its outlook for the future is bright.

69. St. Andrew's No. 1, Halifax.—I visited this, the oldest Lodge in the jurisdiction (having received its charter in 1768) at their regular communication, on May 3rd.

Some forty were present, and I had the pleasure of having with me on this occasion R. W. Bros. Thompson, D.D.G.M., Puttner, P.D.G.M., Lowe, P.D.D.G.M., and others.

The M. M.'s. degree was exemplified in a most efficient manner by the Wor. Master and his able staff of officers, differing but slightly from that adopted by the Grand Lodge.

My reception by the Lodge was most cordial and an enjoyable evening was brought to a close by a fine dinner at the Queen Hotel. The Lodge is in the best of condition in every respect and has much work on hand.

70. Burns, No. 10, Halifax.—On May 4th, accompanied by R. W. Bro Thompson, D.D.G.M., M. W. Bro. Cossmann, P.G.M., R. W. Bro. Campbell, P.D.D.G.M., and other Grand Lodge Officers, I visited this Lodge at their regular communication.

It was a great pleasure to me in every way to see the excellent and precise manner in which the F. C.'s. degree was conferred, and the Lodge is to be congratulated upon its efficient officers. I found everything in a most satisfactory condition and their work during the last year has been larger than usual, some twenty-six being raised.

The usual courtesies were extended after the labours of the evening.

71. Royal Sussex. No. 6, Halifax.—On this visitation I had the company of a large number of Grand Lodge Officers, including R. W. Bro. Mowbray, G. Sec., R W. Bro. Thompson, D.D.G.M., R. W. Bro. Campbell, P.D.G.M., M. W. Bro. Trenaman, P.G.M., Wor. Bros. Edwards, MacDonald and other Grand Lodge officers.

Special preparations had been made for my reception, but when it was learned that I would be obliged to leave the Lodge at an early hour, in order to connect with the steamer for Sherbrooke, they were cancelled.

I more than regretted that I was unable to witness the conferring of the F. C.'s. degree on a candidate who was in waiting, but from my personal knowledge for many years of the working of this Lodge, I know that the work is of the best and practically uniform, and that

the Lodge is in a prosperous state. Many degrees have been conferred the last year, and they have plenty in view for the coming one. The date of my visitation, May 5th, being the night of their regular communication, a large number were present.

72. Eldorado, No. 32, Port Hilford.—I had arranged to visit this Lodge on May 6th, but owing to their having applied for consolidation with Queens, No. 34, and the arrangements having been completed to the satisfaction of the two Lodges, and only two of their members being at home, I had to forego the pleasure of meeting with them.

On Saturday, the seventh, however, accompanied by R. W. Bro. MacDonald, S.G.W., I drove to Port Hilford from Sherbrooke, met Wor. Bro. J. MacConnell and Bro. Alex Stewart, talked over Masonic matters, discussed the condition of the Lodge and inspected their Lodge room, jewels and furniture.

While it is most regrettable that the Lodge is forced to go out of existence, owing to practically all its members having left their jurisdiction, it is most honorable and commendable for them to seek consolidation, rather than let things go on as they are until such time as forfeiture of their charter would occur.

They now go out of existence with all honour and the day may come, when seeking resuscitation this honourable act on their part will no doubt assist them in their laudable undertaking.

It was with sadness that we passed out of the Lodge room and locked the doors, feeling that it might be the last time that Grand Lodge Officers would enter that room, hallowed by memories of the past.

73. Queens, No. 34, Sherbrooke.—May the 7th I visited this Lodge at an emergent communication, accompanied by R. W. Bros. J. R. McDonald, S.G.W., and J. D. McDonald, P.D.D.G.M.

Twenty-two were present and the second part of the second section of the M. M.'s. degree was exemplified, varying but slightly from that adopted by this Grand Lodge.

The work was excellently done and the officers well posted in their particular work.

I had the very great pleasure of calling on Wor. Bro. W. H. McDaniel, their oldest living Past Master, and one of their charter members.

I spent a most interesting time with him discussingg the past history of the Lodge.

My personal thanks are due R. W. Bro. J. R. McDonald and Wor. Bro. Murdoch for the great kindness shown me, courtesies which will never pass from my memory.

74. Eureka, No. 42, Sheet Harbor.—Leaving Sherbrooke early Monday morning with the expectation of reaching Port Dufferin in time to drive to Sheet Harbor to Lodge, some ten miles from Port Dufferin we failed to get further than Liscomb, owing to the weather shutting down thick, and Wor. Bro. Murdoch, who owns and commands the steamer Dufferin, deeming it wiser to lay at Liscomb until the fog lifted, left me stranded some forty-four miles from Sheet Horbor, but through the good offices of Wor. Bro. Murdoch, a carriage was provided to drive me to the Lodge.

I left Liscomb with Bro. Frank Hemlow, who drove me to Moser's River, twenty-two miles from Liscomb; here, changing teams, I had the pleasure of being driven to Port Dufferin by Wor. Bro. Archibald, and changing here again, I was driven to Sheet Harbor by Bro. Balcom, the Junior Warden of the Lodge, arriving at ten p.m.

My thanks are due these Brethren for the great kindness shown and which enabled me to make my last visitation to the Lodges in the jurisdiction.

I found R. W. Bro. Thompson, D.D.G.M., in waiting, and accompanied by him and Wor. Bro. Dunlop (who had driven twenty-two miles) I was received in a most cordial manner by some forty members of Eureka at this emergent communication.

The hour being so late no work was attempted, but I ascertained that their work is nearly uniform with that adopted by Grand Lodge, and it goes without saying that the officers are well posted and do their work in a most creditable manner.

Eureka has always been noted for its hospitality and this was much in evidence on this occasion.

This Lodge has a special charity fund and are not afraid to dispense it liberally as their books show.

Much enthusiasm prevails among the members and Masonry is progressing in a satisfactory manner in this particular district.

A magnificent banquet was served after the labours of the evening, and thus was brought to a close a most pleasant and profitable evening as well as for me personally, the end of my official visitations throughout the jurisdiction.

## CONSOLIDATION ELDORADO, 32, AND QUEENS, 34.

During the latter part of March I received a communication from Eldorado, No. 32, stating that owing to nearly all their members having left the jurisdiction, and the impossibility of holding Lodge meetings under these circumstances, they desired to consolidate with Queens, No. 34, and asking the proper method to be taken.

I referred them to the constitution, and they in conjunction with Queens, No. 34, completed the necessary steps, and all papers in connection therewith were forwarded for my approval.

The time, however, being near at hand to the Annual Communication of Grand Lodge I deferred any action in the matter, preferring that their petition and all papers in connection therewith, be dealt with by the committee on charters and this Grand Lodge.

I may be permitted to say, however, that I trust that the committee and Grand Lodge will give the matter their favourable consideration, as from personal investigation made on the spot, I believe it to be the only honorable course that Eldorado, No. 32, can take; better for them to consolidate with honour than to run the risk of having their charter forfeited. Financially they are in good shape and the two or three members left within the jurisdiction of the Lodge are most enthusiastic Masons in every respect.

## NEW LODGES.

In October I received an application from a number of Brethren residing in the town of Amherst, praying that a Dispensation be granted them for the purpose of instituting a new Lodge in that town, to be named "Alexandra."

They having obtained the consent of "Acacia, No. 8," and being satisfied that the best interests of Masonery would be served by granting them a Dispensation, I accordingly issued them one under date of Oct. 21st, authorizing them to commence work.

On my visitation to the Lodge I found them doing good work, the Landmarks strictly observed, and a capable staff of officers in the chairs.

An application has been received asking this Grand Lodge to issue them a charter, and I refer such application and the papers in connection therewith to the Committee on Charters for their consideration.

## CORNER STONES.

On June 25th I had the pleasure of opening an Emergent Communication of Grand Lodge in the town of Digby, for the purpose of laying the corner stone of the new County Court House. The event passed off successfully and a pleasant time was spent by those in attendance.

On August 5th an Emergent Communication of Grand Lodge was held in the town of Dartmouth, where I had the honour of laying the Corner Stone of the new Masonic Building about to be erected by Eastern Star Lodge, No. 51.

A large number of Brethren were present on this occasion, and the ceremony was most interesting in every respect.

I was rquested by Mariner's Lodge, No. 80, to lay the Corner Stone of their new building, on Sept. 6th, but pressing business engagements prevented me from proceeding to Louisburg on that date and officiating, but I authorized R. W. Bro. Dickenson, D.D.G.M., of District No. 9, to perform the ceremony, which he did with much credit to himself, and in the presence of a large number of interested spectators.

It is a most satisfactory state of affairs to find such enthusiasm among the Craft in these particular districts, advancing as they have by precept and example the interests of Masonry, and I have no doubt Grand Lodge will appreciate their efforts for the upbuilding of the Craft in this manner.

## DEDICATIONS.

On August 25th, as before mentioned, I had the honour of summoning an Emergent Communication of Grand Lodge for the purpose of Dedicating and Formally opening our "Home" in Windsor.

As I have covered this matter before, and as the minutes of that Communication will be laid before you, further remarks on my part on this subject would be superfluous.

At an Emergent Communication, held in the town of Louisburg, on Nov. 9th, I dedicated the new hall of Mariner's, No. 80.

A large number were present, many coming from Sydney, Glace Bay and Morien.

A most enjoyable evening was spent, and the Lodge is to be congratulated for their enterprise. Minutes of this Dedication will be found under "Visitations to Lodges," and further remarks are unnecessary.

On Dec. 24th I dedicated the fine new Lodge Room of Eastern Star, No. 51, in the town of Dartmouth.

Notwithstanding the inclement weather a very large number were present, when the interesting ceremonies took place. Eastern Star is to be congratulated upon having one of the best buildings and Lodge Room in the jurisdiction, and their enterprise should be appreciated by all who have the interests of the Craft in this jurisdiction at heart.

## UNIFORMITY OF WORK.

It would naturally be supposed that the acquiring of a uniform work throughout the jurisdiction would be a simple proposition, but in practice it will be found that to obtain such is more difficult than appears upon the surface.

The first obstacle in the way (and until that is removed uniformity is impossible) is the unwillingness of many of the Lodges to make any change in their present work, work which perhaps they have used since their organization.

They consider, and rightly so, that they are doing good Masonic work, possibly forgetting, that from time to time innovations have been brought into their Lodge by some of their members who have witnessed work in foreign jurisdictions, been struck with the beauty and appropriateness of it and on their return home have succeeded in having it adopted in their own Lodge, so that their work, while once true "York Rite" or otherwise, as the case may be, is now a mixture of various other rites, but at the same time, as before stated, good Masonic work.

There are two methods by which we can secure that most desirable end, "Uniformity," and I now place them before you for your consideration, trusting that from the suggestions made the wisdom of this Grand Lodge may be able to settle upon some line of procedure, which will be the means of bringing to a successful issue that most desirable state of affairs.

The first step toward that end would be for each Lodge in the jurisdiction to voluntarily agree to abandon the work they are now doing and accept as their work the "Ancient York Rite" as adopted by this Grand Lodge in 1906, or such other work as might be presented to them by a committee to be appointed for that purpose.

When the Lodges have agreed to the foregoing the first step has been taken and it remains to disseminate the work selected to the Brethren.

The first method, while the most desirable, would, in my opinion, prove a financial burden upon this Grand Lodge, which at present it would not be wise for us to assume; that method would be by the election of or appointing of (the latter preferably) a Grand Lecturer of skill and ability who would travel throughout the jurisdiction giving instruction to the various Lodges; he to be paid by the Grand Lodge.

This method while quickly giving a uniform work, would be expensive, and I hardly think would meet with the approval of Grand Lodge at this particular time.

The second method would be by the appointment of a Grand Lecturer (as Chairman) and a ritual committee (or Custodians of

work) consisting of nine members, one from each District in the jurisdiction (please note that the Grand Lecturer and members of the committee are to be appointed, not elected) three to serve for one year, three for two years, and three for three years.

Upon the appointment of this committee they would meet and consider the various rites as now practiced in the different Lodges in the jurisdictions, taking the best features of each rite, combining them and exemplifying the combined work before representatives from each Lodge at a Lodge of Instruction held at some central point in the jurisdiction.

These representatives would then report to their Lodges and at the next Annual Communication of Grand Lodge the work could be again exemplified and the Grand Lodge could accept or reject the work exemplified as they saw fit.

Assuming that Grand Lodge accepts the work as presented, or accepts it in a modified form, it would then remain to communicate it to the subordinate Lodges.

The Grand Lecturer and each member of the committee should be clothed with absolute power to enter and correct the work of any Lodge; the Grand Lecturer should not be in the position he now is, with all his powers taken away by the Constitution.

Under instructions from the Grand Lecturer each member of the ritual committee would convene at least once in each year in his own District, at some convenient time and place, a "District Lodge of Instruction", at which each Lodge in the District would be represented, the work exemplified and discussed.

These "District Lodges of Instruction" would not only serve the purposes of instruction, but would be the means of bringing together the Brethren of each District in a general re-union and various matters of Masonic interest could be discussed.

The expenses of these Lodges of Instruction would be defrayed by a per capita on each Lodge in the District, and this per capita would, I am convinced, prove merely nominal.

I am aware that these suggestions may seem crude, but I make them with the hope that from them a perfect system may be devised, which will enable us to reach that desirable point, "Uniformity of Work."

Experience has convinced me that the only satisfactory method for the formation of this committee is by appointment (including the Grand Lecturer) by the Grand Master for the time being; he is in a position to select those whom he knows are good ritualists in each District and would be willing to undertake the work.

This Committee would retain the work selected and communicate it each year to the three new members of the Committee, and thus the work would remain from year to year unchanged.

## CLANDESTINE MASONRY.

While this jurisdiction has not as yet been seriously troubled by these travelling imposters, as have other jurisdictions, especially in the United States, still several have been discovered endeavouring to work in this section of the country and great caution should be observed by our various subordinate Lodges in the examination of those desiring to visit them.

Many of the Grand Lodges in the United States have been obliged to secure protection from the State Legislatures against these imposters and while possibly the time has not yet arrived when it is necessary for us to take the same steps, still it would be wise for us to seriously consider the present state of affairs, and if deemed necessary secure an Act from our Legislature along the same lines as has been secured by some foreign jurisdictions.

I am satisfied from reports that I am constantly receiving, that Clandestine Masonry will, before long, invade this jurisdiction, hence my reasons for bringing this matter before you.

Each Lodge in the jurisdiction is now furnished with a list of Clandestine Lodges so far as possible, but as a further guard against imposters I would strongly recommend that each Lodge be furnished with a copy of a work published by the "Pantagraph Printing and Stationery Co.", Blomington, Ohio, entitled, "List of Regular Lodges, A. F. & A. M." The cost of placing a copy in each Lodge would be small and the protection afforded inestimable. The Lodges should also be furnished with the monthly circulars formerly sent them, but for some reason dropped, these circulars showing the names of all travelling imposters.

## CONCLUSION.

I congratulate you, my Brethren, upon the prosperous condition of the Craft in this jurisdiction, upon the satisfactory increase in our membership (some 364) during the past year, and upon our friendly relations with other Grand Jurisdictions; not a cloud has arisen to mar that happy relationship, and long may it continue.

One year ago you conferred upon me the highest gift in your power in this Ancient and Honorable Fraternity—entrusting to my charge this gavel; I transfer it to my successor with full confidence that he will have the same hearty support from his officers and the members of each Lodge in the jurisdiction that I have enjoyed.

While the duties of this office are not light by any manner of means and its responsibilities great, still with it all my year has been a happy one.

If I have succeeded in partly maintaining the standard set by my predecessors, the high standard that this Grand Lodge has always expected from those who hold the gavel I will be satisfied. I am sensible that in many things I have failed to come up to your ideals, but I ask you to spread the broad mantle of Masonic Charity over my shortcomings and to believe that my errors have been of the head and not of the heart.

I have endeavored to deal with all matters that came before me with justice and equity, erring on the side of peace and harmony when in doubt, rather than exercising the high power vested in the office, sincerely believing that this attitude on my part has been to the advantage of the Craft in every respect.

I trust that your deliberations in the interests of Masonry at this Communication may prove of inestimable value for the advancement of our art, that you may be guided in all ways by that "All Seeing Eye", and finally, Brethren, may you when this Grand Communication has closed, return safely to your homes feeling that your efforts for our beloved Craft has not been in vain, and that the coming year will be a prosperous and happy one with you one and all.

The time will shortly come when I will perforce surrender this gavel and its powers to my successor and in doing so I wish again to thank you from the bottom of my heart for the very great honours you have bestowed upon me, and to assure you that while I retire from active office my services are always yours to command at all times in any matter that will redound to the benefit of Masonry in the Province of Nova Scotia.

Fraternally submitted,

W. MARSHALL BLACK,
Grand Master of Masons in Nova Scotia.

On motion of M. W. Bro. Cossmann, seconded by M. W. Bro. C. R. Smith, the foregoing address was received and referred to a Special Committee, subsequently named, viz., M. W. Brethren Cossmann, Smith and Trenaman, Past Grand Masters.

## GRAND SECRETARY'S REPORT.

R. W. Bro. Thomas Mowbray, Grand Secretary, submitted his annual report and financial statement, which on motion of R. W. Bro. J. C. Jones, seconded by W. Bro. J. H. Winfield, was received and referred to a Special Committee, appointed by Grand Master, viz., Brethren J. H. Winfield, W. H. Starr and F. S. L. Ford.

### GRAND SECRETARY'S REPORT.

The M. W. the Grand Lodge of Nova Scotia:

In submitting this my tenth Annual report, I have the pleasure of stating that every Lodge in the Jurisdiction has made returns, and with two exceptions, paid Grand Lodge dues, etc. These exceptions are: Eastern Light, No. 72, Guysboro, and Mariner's, No. 80, Louisburg. The year which closed on the 31st March last was a very prosperous one, as the following result of the year's work will show:

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| Initiated | 490 |
| Passed | 485 |
| Raised | 492 |
| Affiliated | 98 |
| Reinstated | 32 |
| Dimitted | 106 |
| Died | 55 |
| Missing | 39 |
| Suspended, N. P. D. | 54 |

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| Subscribing Members, 1910 | 6037 |
| " " 1909 | 5673 |
| Gain | 364 |

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| Chartered Lodges | | 71 |
| Under Dispensation | | 1 |
| Total receipts for dues, etc. | $5909.95 | |
| Rents | 1770.00 | |
| | | $7679.95 |
| G. L. Receipts last year | | 7478.65 |
| Gain | | $ 201.30 |
| Freemasons' Home from Lodges | | 2965.00 |
| Last year | | 1406.50 |
| Gain | | 1558.50 |

## ALEXANDRA LODGE U. D.

Upon the petition of a large number of Brethren in Amherst the M. W. the Grand Master after careful consideration, granted his Dispensation dated October 21, 1909, to said Brethren to form a new Lodge in the Town of Amherst, under the name of Alexandra, and the Lodge was at once formed with R. W. Bro. George R. Chisholm, P.D.D.G.M., as its first Worshipful Master, and good work has since been done by the Lodge. The papers in connection with the formation of this Lodge are now in the hands of the Committee on Charters, and I bespeak for their report the favorable consideration of Grand Lodge.

ELDORADO LODGE, No. 32, PORT HILFORD.

The membership of this Lodge having become reduced to twenty, and quite a number of those being absent from home the greater part of the year, it was deemed advisable to apply to Queens Lodge, No. 34, for leave to become amalgamated with it, that Lodge consented to such amalgamation and the proper preliminary papers from both Lodges are now in my possession, and I trust that Grand Lodge will sanction such an arrangement.

As the decisions and other Official Acts of the M. W. the Grand Master are given in his address, I deem it unnecessary to repeat them here, although they are recorded in this office.

During the year I have requested many Lodges in this and other Jurisdictions to Confer by Courtesy, degrees for other Lodges, and in every case the request has been cheerfully complied with.

Nothing whatever has occurred during the year to mar the harmony which has happily hitherto existed among Brethren in this Jurisdiction.

My correspondence and personal intercourse with Grand Lodge Officers, Officers and members of Subordinate Lodges have been of the most amicable nature.

My correspondence with Grand Secretaries of other Jurisdictions have continued to be most cordial.

My accounts with Grand Lodge accompany this report.

All of which is respectfully submitted,

THOMAS MOWBRAY,
Grand Secretary.

Halifax, June 8, 1910.

Note.—Eastern Light Lodge, No. 72, paid dues June 8, 1910.

THE GRAND LODGE OF NOVA SCOTIA *in account with* THOMAS MOWBRAY, *Grand Secretary. Cr.*

| No. | Lodge. | Where Held. | Arrears. | Dues 1910. | Diplomas. | Dispensation. | Travelling Certificates. | Sundries. | Proceedings. | Masonic Home | Total. |
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| 1 | St. Andrews | Halifax | ..... | $129 75 | $18 00 | $5 00 | ..... | ..... | $1 50 | $86 50 | $240 75 |
| 2 | St. John's | " | ..... | 55 50 | 7 00 | ..... | ..... | ..... | 1 50 | 37 00 | 101 00 |
| 3 | Virgin | " | ..... | 80 25 | 9 00 | ..... | ..... | ..... | 1 50 | 53 50 | 144 25 |
| 4 | Unity | Lunenburg | ..... | 74 25 | 8 00 | ..... | $2 00 | ..... | 1 50 | 49 50 | 135 25 |
| 5 | Albion | New Glasgow | ..... | 112 50 | 24 00 | ..... | ..... | ..... | 1 50 | 75 00 | 213 00 |
| 6 | Royal Sussex | Halifax | $3 75 | 83 25 | 10 00 | 5 00 | ..... | ..... | 1 50 | 55 50 | 159 00 |
| 7 | St. Andrews | Sydney | ..... | 174 00 | 32 00 | ..... | 7 00 | ..... | 1 50 | 116 00 | 330 50 |
| 8 | Acacia | Amheret | ..... | 159 75 | 36 00 | ..... | 7 00 | $2 50 | 1 50 | 106 50 | 313 25 |
| 9 | Zetland | Liverpool | ..... | 80 25 | 4 00 | 5 00 | ..... | ..... | 1 50 | 53 50 | 144 25 |
| 10 | Burns | Halifax | ..... | 129 00 | 46 00 | ..... | ..... | ..... | 1 50 | 86 00 | 262 50 |
| 11 | New Caledonia | Pictou | ..... | 87 00 | 12 00 | ..... | ..... | ..... | 1 50 | 58 00 | 158 50 |
| 12 | Hiram | Yarmouth | ..... | 8 00 | 14 00 | ..... | ..... | ..... | 1 50 | 54 00 | 150 50 |
| 13 | Acadia | Pugwash | ..... | 39 75 | 12 00 | ..... | ..... | ..... | 1 50 | 26 50 | 79 75 |
| 14 | Acadia | Halifax | 1 00 | 73 50 | 8 00 | ..... | ..... | ..... | 1 50 | 49 00 | 133 00 |
| 15 | Athole | " | ..... | 81 75 | 18 00 | ..... | ..... | ..... | 1 50 | 54 50 | 155 75 |
| 16 | Keith | Bear River | ..... | 48 75 | 23 00 | ..... | 1 00 | ..... | 1 50 | 32 50 | 106 75 |
| 17 | Keith | Halifax | ..... | 60 75 | 18 00 | ..... | 3 00 | ..... | 1 50 | 40 50 | 123 75 |
| 18 | Union | " | ..... | 55 50 | 18 00 | 5 00 | 3 00 | ..... | 1 50 | 37 00 | 120 00 |
| 19 | Royal Albert | North Sydney | 1 00 | 74 25 | 12 00 | ..... | ..... | ..... | 1 50 | 49 50 | 138 25 |
| 20 | St. Georges | Wolfville | ..... | 63 00 | 17 00 | 5 00 | 3 00 | ..... | 1 50 | 42 00 | 131 50 |
| 23 | Keith | Stellarton | 3 00 | 120 75 | 39 00 | ..... | ..... | ..... | 1 50 | 80 50 | 244 75 |
| 24 | Concord | Clark's Harbor | ..... | 54 00 | 14 00 | ..... | 2 00 | ..... | 1 50 | 36 00 | 107 50 |
| 26 | Welsford | Windsor | ..... | 85 50 | 35 00 | 5 00 | 4 00 | ..... | 1 50 | 57 00 | 188 00 |
| 28 | Scotia | Canning | ..... | 27 00 | 10 00 | ..... | ..... | ..... | 1 50 | 18 00 | 56 50 |
| 29 | Prince of Wales | Milton | ..... | 40 50 | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | 1 50 | 27 00 | 69 00 |
| 30 | Albert | Shelburne | ..... | 41 25 | 10 00 | ..... | ..... | ..... | 1 50 | 27 50 | 80 25 |
| 31 | Scotia | Yarmouth | ..... | 80 25 | 28 00 | 5 00 | ..... | ..... | 1 50 | 53 50 | 168 25 |
| 32 | Eldorado | Port Hilford | ..... | 15 00 | 2 00 | ..... | ..... | ..... | 1 50 | 10 00 | 28 50 |
| 33 | AnnapolisRoyal | Annapolis | ..... | 69 00 | 16 00 | ..... | 3 00 | ..... | 1 50 | 46 00 | 135 50 |
| 34 | Queens | Sherbrooke | ..... | 61 50 | 6 00 | ..... | ..... | ..... | 1 50 | 41 00 | 110 00 |
| 35 | St. Marks | Baddeck | ..... | 72 00 | 27 00 | ..... | 6 00 | ..... | 1 50 | 48 00 | 154 50 |
| 36 | Thistle | Port Morien | ..... | 81 75 | 2 00 | ..... | 1 00 | ..... | 1 50 | 54 50 | 140 75 |
| 38 | Lodge St. Mark | Halifax | ..... | 105 00 | 32 00 | ..... | ..... | ..... | 1 50 | 70 00 | 208 50 |
| 39 | Acacia | Bridgewater | ..... | 92 25 | 12 00 | 5 00 | ..... | ..... | 1 50 | 61 50 | 172 25 |
| 41 | Rothsay | Bridgetown | ..... | 44 25 | 13 00 | ..... | ..... | ..... | 1 50 | 29 50 | 88 25 |
| 42 | Eureka | Sheet Harbor | 12 25 | 63 00 | 14 00 | 5 00 | ..... | ..... | 1 50 | 42 00 | 137 75 |
| 43 | Truro | Truro | ..... | 135 75 | 21 00 | ..... | ..... | ..... | 1 50 | 90 50 | 248 75 |
| 45 | Tyrian Youth | Glace Bay | ..... | 162 00 | 26 00 | ..... | ..... | ..... | 1 50 | 108 00 | 297 50 |
| 46 | Solomon | Port Hawkesby | ..... | 55 50 | 8 00 | ..... | 2 00 | 1 05 | 1 50 | 37 00 | 105 05 |
| 47 | Philadelphia | Barrington | ..... | 45 00 | 10 00 | ... | 2 00 | ..... | 1 50 | 30 00 | 88 50 |
| 48 | Widow's Son | River Philip | ..... | 13 50 | 4 00 | ..... | ..... | 1 25 | 1 50 | 9 00 | 29 25 |
| 50 | Western Star | Westville | ..... | 111 75 | 16 00 | 5 00 | ..... | 60 | 1 50 | 74 50 | 209 35 |
| 51 | Eastern Star | Dartmouth | ..... | 81 00 | 33 00 | 5 00 | 3 00 | ..... | 1 50 | 54 00 | 177 50 |
| 52 | Harmony | Aylesford | ..... | 50 25 | 16 00 | 10 00 | ..... | ..... | 1 50 | 33 50 | 111 25 |
| 54 | King Solomon | Digby | ..... | 30 75 | 4 00 | ..... | ..... | ..... | 1 50 | 20 50 | 56 75 |
| 56 | Harmony | Port Clyde | ..... | 27 00 | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | 1 50 | 18 00 | 46 50 |
| 57 | Temple | Mulgrave | ..... | 20 25 | 10 00 | ..... | ..... | .. | 1 50 | 13 50 | 45 25 |
| 58 | Kentville | Kentville | ..... | 57 00 | 16 00 | ..... | ..... | ..... | 1 50 | 38 00 | 112 50 |
| 61 | Clarke | Chester | ..... | 25 50 | 4 00 | ..... | ..... | ..... | 1 50 | 17 00 | 48 00 |
| 62 | Taylor | Lockeport | ..... | 39 75 | 4 00 | ..... | ..... | ..... | 1 50 | 26 50 | 71 75 |
| 63 | Corinthian | Great Village | ..... | 22 50 | 8 00 | ..... | ..... | 30 | 1 50 | 15 00 | 47 30 |
| 65 | Freeport | Freeport | ..... | 31 50 | 6 00 | ..... | 1 00 | ..... | 1 50 | 21 00 | 61 00 |
| 66 | Sircom | Whycocomagh | ..... | 27 75 | 18 00 | ..... | 5 00 | 60 | 1 50 | 18 50 | 71 35 |

## GRAND SECRETARY'S REPORT.—*Continued.*

| No. | Lodge. | Where held. | Arrears. | Dues 1910. | Diplomas. | Dispensation. | Travelling Expenses. | Sundries. | Proceedings. | Masonic Home. | Total |
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| | *Forward...* | | | | | | | | | | |
| 67 | Minas | Parrsboro | | $44 25 | $19 00 | | | | 1 50 | 29 50 | 94 25 |
| 69 | Charity | Mahone | | 32 25 | 2 00 | | | | 1 50 | 21 50 | 57 25 |
| 70 | Laurie | Springhill | | 111 75 | 14 00 | | 5 00 | | 1 50 | 74 50 | 206 75 |
| 72 | Eastern Light | Guysboro | | | | | | | | | |
| 73 | Ionic | Middleton | | 60 00 | 15 00 | | | | 1 50 | 40 00 | 116 50 |
| 74 | North Star | Londonderry | 62 75 | 38 25 | 6 00 | | | | 1 50 | 25 50 | 134 00 |
| 75 | Wimburn | Oxford | | 18 75 | 4 00 | | | | 1 50 | 12 50 | 36 75 |
| 76 | Wallace | Wallace | | 27 75 | 14 00 | 5 00 | | | 1 50 | 18 50 | 66 75 |
| 77 | Hudson | Thorburn | | 32 25 | 4 00 | | | | 1 50 | 21 50 | 59 25 |
| 78 | Mechanics | Caledonia | | 26 25 | 14 00 | | | | 1 50 | 17 50 | 59 25 |
| 79 | Canso | Canso | | 30 75 | 8 00 | | | | 1 50 | 20 50 | 60 75 |
| 80 | Mariners | Louisburg | | | | | | | | | |
| 81 | LaHave | Riverport | | 48 75 | 4 00 | | | | 1 50 | 32 50 | 86 75 |
| 82 | Zarthan | Pubnico Head | | 37 50 | 6 00 | 5 00 | 2 00 | | 1 50 | 25 00 | 77 00 |
| 83 | Inverness | Inverness | | 51 75 | 13 00 | | | | 1 50 | 34 50 | 100 75 |
| 84 | Sydney | Sydney | | 81 00 | 16 00 | | 1 00 | | 1 50 | 54 00 | 153 50 |
| 85 | Royal Oak | Sydney Mines | | 41 25 | 28 00 | | | | 1 50 | 27 50 | 98 25 |
| 86 | King Edward | River Hebert | | 31 50 | 24 00 | 5 00 | | 90 | 1 50 | 21 00 | 83 90 |
| | Alexandra U. D., | Amherst | | | | 50 00 | | | | | 50 00 |
| | Cash Travelling Certificates | | | | | | 54 00 | | | | 54 00 |
| | G. L. Dimits | | 20 00 | | | | | | | | 20 00 |
| | | | 103 75 | $4447 50 | 1001 00 | 130 00 | 117 00 | $7 20 | $103 50 | $2965 00 | $8874 95 |

Grand Lodge dues, &c. ..... $5909 95
N. S. Freemason's Home ..... 2965 00
——— $ 8874 95

Rents from Lodges ..... $1250 00
Rents from Hall ..... 520 00
——— $ 1770 00

$10644 95

Paid Grand Treasurer per Receipts, $10644 95
E. & O. E.

Halifax, June 2, 1910.

THOMAS MOWBRAY,
*Grand Secretary.*

Examined and found correct.

W. L. BROWN,
WM. H. WETHERBY.

## REPORT OF TRUSTEES OF FREEMASON'S HALL.

The Grand Secretary submitted report of Trustees and financial statement of the Secretary, also estimates for the current year.

On motion of R. W. Bro. J. C. Jones, seconded by R. W. Bro. A. J. Morrison, they were received and referred to the Special Committee having charge of the Grand Secretary's report.

The first meeting of the new Board was held on Thursday evening, June 24, 1909.

Present: The Deputy Grand Master, Grand Treasurer, Grand Secretary and eight other members.

The usual Standing Committees were appointed.

Repairs: Wm. Crowe, D.G.M.; C. E. Puttner, P. A. Freeman.

Trustees having general supervision of the building during the year:

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|---|---|
| W. L. Brown | for July. |
| C. E. Puttner | August. |
| H. B. Parker | September. |
| J. D. Grant | October. |
| P. A. Freeman | November. |
| F. D. Hillis | December. |
| W. Crowe | January. |
| J. R. Johnston | February. |
| Charles Zwerling | March. |
| M. McF. Hall | April. |
| J. F. Edwards | May. |
| F. W. Russell | June. |

The Grand Secretary, P. A. Freeman, and M. McF. Hall were appointed a Committee to invite tenders for the year's supply of coal, and enter into a contract for such supply.

The correspondence regarding the rewiring of the building, laid over for the consideration of the new Board, was handed over to the Committee on Repairs, with instructions to give it immediate attention.

The attention of same Committee was directed to a reported leak in the cupola of the building.

Bro. Puttner brought to the notice of the Board the unsatisfactory condition of the Scottish Rite apartments, stating the Rite would be willing to pay half the cost of renovating the rooms.

On motion, the matter was referred to Brethren Puttner and Hall to ascertain from the Rite what it requires to have done and the probable cost.

Meeting July 22, 1909. Present: The Deputy Grand Master. Grand Secretary and three other members.

Some accounts were passed, but no other business transacted.

Meeting September 2, 1909. Present: The Deputy Grand Master, Grand Treasurer, Grand Secretary, and four other members. The Chairman explained that the meeting was held on this date as it was found that on the night of the August meeting many of the members were absent from the City.

Some accounts were passed.

Bro. Hall reported that the cost of repairs to Scottish Rite apartments would amount to about $125. Moved by Bro. MacAloney, seconded by Bro. Hillis, that the sum of sixty dollars be contributed towards renovating the Scottish Rite Apartments. Passed.

Committee on Repairs directed to have furnace and spouting attended to.

Meeting September 23, 1909. Present: The Deputy G. Master, Grand Treasurer, Grand Secretary and four other members.

The question of rewiring the building was discussed, when it was decided to ask the City Electrician to prepare a specification of what was required to be done, and when received to ask for Tenders for the work.

Meeting October 28, 1909. Present: The D. G. Master, Grand Secretary and eight other members.

Several accounts were passed.

The Chairman read specification of wiring required, prepared by the City Electrician, upon which tenders had been invited and submitted from Farquhar Bros. and John Starr, Son & Co., Ltd. Farquhar Bros., for $297.00, being the lowest, was accepted, the work to be done under the supervision of the City Electrician and completed at the earliest possible time.

Meeting November 25, 1909. Present: The Grand Secretary and five other members. Owing to the unavoidable absence of D. G. M., Bro. Hillis was elected Chairman. One account passed.

Meeting December 23, 1909. Present: The Grand Treasurer, Grand Secretary and five other members. The D. G. Master being unavoidably absent, Bro. Puttner was elected Chairman.

Routine business transacted and several accounts ordered to be paid, including McAlpine, for Diplomas, $218.50, and the Chronicle Printing Co., for Proceedings, 1909, $444.70.

Meeting January 27, 1910. Present: The Deputy Grand Master, Grand Secretary and five other members. The D. G. Master being called away on urgent private business, Bro. Puttner was elected Chairman.

Several accounts were passed, including Farquhar Bros., for rewiring, $326.90, to be paid when certified by the City Electrician as in accordance with City regulations and the requirements of the Board of Fire Underwriters, and subject to the approval of the Committee on Repairs.

Meeting February 24, 1910. Present: the Deputy Grand Master, Grand Secretary, and five other members.

The Secretary submitted the Certificate of the City Electrician that Farquhar Bros. had performed the work of rewiring the building in accordance with City regulations and to his satisfaction.

The bill was again referred to the Committee on repairs, as some of the items charged required explanation.

Meeting March 23, 1910. Present: The Deputy Grand Master, Grand Secretary and five other members. Some small accounts were ordered to be paid. The Committee on Repairs reported that Farquhar Bros. account had been adjusted by a rebate of six dollars, making the amount $320.96, which was ordered to be paid.

Meeting April 28, 1910. Present: The Deputy Grand Master, Grand Secretary and three other members.

A few bills were passed, but no other business required attention.

Meeting May 25, 1910. Present: The Deputy Grand Master, Grand Treasurer, Grand Secretary and three other members.

The Committee on Repairs were directed to have estimates prepared for the repairing of the furnace, or the cost of a new one, to be submitted at a special meeting of the Board, to be held on Tuesday evening, 31st inst.

The following members were appointed to prepare estimates for the incoming year, viz: Wm. Crowe, F. D. Hillis, and Jno. D. Grant.

All unpaid bills were passed for payment.

Special meeting, May 31, 1910. Present: The Deputy Grand Master, Grand Secretary and four other members.

Estimate for repairing the furnace was submitted by McDonald & Co., and a tender for supplying a new one was submitted by Longard Bros. and carefully considered, together with certificates accompanying Longard Bros.' tender. The Board decided to reconmmend that new furnaces be installed, instead of having the old one repaired, which they consider would be money thrown away, as under ordinary circumstances it would have to be replaced next year.

The Committee on Estimates submitted the following report, which, on motion of Bro. Grant, seconded by Bro. Freeman, was adopted, and ordered to be submitted to Grand Lodge for its consideration.

The foregoing condensed report of the proceedings of the Board for the past year was presented by the Secretary and approved, and ordered to be submitted to Grand Lodge.

All of which is respectfully submitted,

THOMAS MOWBRAY, Secretary.

Halifax, June 6, 1910.

## ESTIMATES FOR YEAR 1910-11.

### INCOME.

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| Dues per Capita Tax, 6000 members | | $4,500.00 | |
| 500 Diplomas, $2.00 | | 1,000.00 | |
| Rent from Lodges | | 1,350.00 | |
| Revenue from Hall | $500.00 | | |
| Sundries— | | | |
| Dispensations | 75.00 | | |
| Proceedings | 100.00 | | |
| Travelling Certificates | 100.00 | | |
| | | 775.00 | |
| | | | $7,625.00 |

### EXPENDITURE.

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| Fuel | $ 400.00 | |
| Lighting | 450.00 | |
| Janitor | 450.00 | |
| Janitor's Quarters | 200.00 | |
| Interest on Debentures, $14,860 at 4 per cent | 594.40 | |
| Telephone | 47.00 | |
| Insurance on Building and Furniture | 195.60 | |
| Civic Taxes and Water Rates | 150.00 | |
| Salary Grand Sec'y, $1,000.00; Assistant, $300.00 | 1,300.00 | |
| Printing Proceedings, etc | 600.00 | |
| Stationery, etc | 150.00 | |
| Postage, etc | 200.00 | |
| Expenses of Annual Communication | 50.00 | |
| Grand Tyler | 50.00 | |
| Contingencies | 200.00 | |
| Repairs to Furnace, $200.00 ,and Building $150.00 | 350.00 | |
| Diplomas | 225.00 | |
| | | 5,612.00 |
| Excess of Revenue over Expenditure | | $2,013.00 |

If new furnaces are installed, estimated at $550.00, the fuel account can be reduced by $150.00.

Respectfully Submitted,

WILLIAM CROWE, D. G. M.,
J. D. GRANT,
Committee on Estimates.

## GRAND LODGE OF NOVA SCOTIA,

In account with Thomas Mowbray, Secty. of Trustees.

| 1909. | | Rents | Hall |
|---|---|---|---|
| June 23. | By R. A. Spawton, meeting | $ | $10.00 |
| 30. | Miss Metzler, concert | | 10.00 |
| July 8. | Rev. W. G. Lane, meeting | | 12.00 |
| Aug. 2. | Mrs. Dennis, meeting | | 5.00 |
| Sept. 15. | W. W. Black, meeting | | 16.00 |
| | Halifax Elec. Tram Co., Ltd., one week | | 30.00 |
| Oct. 8. | W. W. Black, dance | | 12.00 |
| 19. | Miss Conrad, dance | | 16.00 |
| Nov. 4. | Liberal Conservative Club, 3 meetings | | 30.00 |
| 8. | L. J. Mylius | | 10.00 |
| 9. | Royal Sussex, No. 6, rent to Nov. 1 | 50.00 | 1.50 |
| 10. | W. C. Moir, meeting | | 10.00 |
| 11. | R. M. Hattie, meeting | | 10.00 |
| 16. | Walter Black, dance | | 16.00 |
| 19. | Union, No. 18, rent to Nov. 1 | 25.00 | 1.50 |
| 25. | Thomas Dixon, 6 dances | | 36.00 |
| | Burns, No. 10, rent to Nov. 1 | 50.00 | 1.50 |
| 29. | Acadia, No. 14, rent to Nov. 1 | 50.00 | 1.50 |
| Dec. 4. | Daughters of England, dance | | 16.00 |
| 2. | L. of St. Mark, No. 38, rent to Nov. 1 | 50.00 | 1.50 |
| | Mrs. Murray, afternoon meeting | | 2.00 |
| 10. | Clan McLean, meeting | | 15.00 |
| 21. | Walter Black, dance | | 16.00 |
| | Royal Union Chapter, rent to Nov. 1 | 50.00 | |
| 28. | St. John's, No. 2, rent to Nov. 1 | 50.00 | 1.50 |
| 29. | Virgin, No. 3, rent to Nov. 1 | 50.00 | 1.50 |
| 31. | Keith, No. 17, rent to Nov. 1 | 50.00 | 1.50 |
| 1910. | | | |
| Jan. 7. | Walter Black, dance | | 16.00 |
| | Mrs. Dennis, meeting | | 5.00 |
| 10. | A. & A. S. Rite, rent to Nov. 1 | 37.50 | |
| | | $472.50 | $298.00 |
| Jan. 10. | Athol, No. 15, rent to Nov. 1 | 50.00 | |
| 14. | Thos. Dixon, 2 classes | | 12.00 |

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| Feb. | 8. | Walter Black, dance | | 16.00 |
| | 9. | Mrs. Bennett, dance | | 16.00 |
| Mar. | 5. | Miss Boak, dance | | 16.00 |
| | 20. | Tram Conductors, dance | | 16.00 |
| Apl. | 11. | Y.M.C.A., 20 Sunday afternoon meetings | | 60.00 |
| | | Miss Southall, dance | | 16.00 |
| | 15. | J. Halliday, gym. class | | 6.00 |
| May | 3. | St. John's, No. 2, rent to May 1 | 50.00 | |
| | 6. | Royal Sussex, rent to May 1 | 50.00 | |
| | 7. | Burns, No. 10, ren to May 1 | 50.00 | |
| | 9. | Walter Black, dance | | 16.00 |
| | 14. | St. Andrew's Chapter, rent to May 1 | 100.00 | |
| | | M. S. Clarke, auctions | | 45.00 |
| | 16. | Acadia, No. 14, rent to May 1 | 50.00 | |
| | 18. | St. Andrew's, No. 1, rent to May 1 | 100.00 | 1.50 |
| | | Lodge of St. Mark, No. 38, rent to May 1 | 50.00 | |
| | | Knights Templars, rent to May 1 | 25.00 | |
| | 23. | Union, No. 18, rent to May 1 | 25.00 | |
| | | Royal Union Chapter, rent to May 1 | 50.00 | |
| | | A. & A. Scottish Rite | 37.50 | |
| | 27. | Athole, No. 15, rent to May 1 | 50.00 | 1.50 |
| | | Keith, No. 17, rent to May 1 | 50.00 | |
| June | 1. | Virgin, No. 3 | 50.00 | |
| | | | $1,250 | $520.00 |
| Total | | | | $1,770.00 |

E. & O. E. THOMAS MOWBRAY,
Secretary.

Halifax, June 2, 1910.

Examined and found correct,

W. L. BROWN,
WM. H. WETHERBY.

# GRAND TREASURER'S REPORT.

R. W. Bro. John MacAloney, Grand Treasurer, submitted the following report, which on motion of R. W. Bro. J. D. Grant, seconded by R. W. Bro. J. R. MacDonald, was received and adopted, it having been audited and certified as correct by the Committee on Finance and Audit.

## GRAND TREASURER'S REPORT.

The Most Worshipful Grand Lodge of Nova Scotia, A. F. & A. M.
In account with John MacAloney, Grand Treasurer.

DR.

General Expense Account Grand Lodge.

| 1909. | | |
|---|---|---|
| June 12. | To J. E. Webster, Grand Tyler.....$ | 50.00 |
| | J. E. Webster, Laundry and Lime Juice | 5.00 |
| 23. | Capt. Lester, Band..... | 30.00 |
| | Robt. Dawson, Gratuity..... | 5.00 |
| 29. | J. E. Webster, expenses to Digby..... | 14.05 |
| 30. | Grand Secretary, Salary..... | 325.00 |
| | Grand Secretary, Sundries..... | 10.90 |
| July 29. | C. H. Artz, Printing..... | 45.00 |
| Aug. 27. | Grand Secretary, Salary..... | 200.00 |
| Sept. 3. | London Rubber Stamp Co..... | 2.05 |
| | J. G. Rennie, Guarantee Bond..... | 37.50 |
| | Halifax Herald, Advertising..... | 32.67 |
| | Chronicle Publishing Co., Advertising | 37.36 |
| | Acadian Recorder, Advertising..... | 11.00 |
| | M. S. Brown & Co., G. M. Jewel..... | 60.00 |
| | C. H. Climo, Enlarging Photograph.... | 22.00 |
| | F. M. Switzer, Engraving..... | 4.84 |
| | Grand Secretary, Salary..... | 125.00 |
| | Grand Secretary, Sundries ..... | 42.45 |
| Nov. 2. | Chronicle Publishing Co., Printing.... | 10.00 |
| | M. S. Brown & Co., Case..... | 1.00 |
| | A. & W. MacKinlay, Stationery..... | 11.05 |
| | London Rubber Stamp Co., Stamp.... | 6.00 |

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| | 17. | J. E. Webster, Expenses to Louisburg | 19.75 | |
| Dec. | 2. | Grand Secretary, Salary..... | 200.00 | |
| | 20. | Chronicle Printing Co., Proceedings.. | 444.70 | |
| | 29. | Grand Secretary, Salary..... | 125.00 | |
| 1910. | | | | |
| Jan. | 28. | Grand Secretary, Sundries..... | 94.85 | |
| | | A. & W. MacKinlay, Stationery..... | 14.07 | |
| | | C. H. Artz, Printing..... | 8.50 | |
| Feb. | 7. | Grand Secretary, Salary..... | 225.00 | |
| | 10. | McAlpine Publishing Co., Parchments | 219.50 | |
| Apr | 18. | Grand Secretary, Salary..... | 100.00 | |
| | | Grand Secretary, Sundries..... | 32.29 | |
| | | Halifax Herald, Advertising..... | 3.75 | |
| | | Chronicle Publishing Co., Advertising | 4.80 | |
| May | 30. | Frank Reardon, Funeral Decorations | 54.00 | |
| | | A. & W. MacKinlay, Stationery..... | 15.40 | |
| | | Chronicle Publishing Co., Printing... | 50.60 | |
| | | Grand Secretary, Sundries..... | 38.89 | |
| | | | | $ 2,738.97 |
| 1910. | | | | |
| | | Interest on Debentures and Bank Account. | | |
| May | 14. | Grand Secretary Coupons..... | 339.20 | |
| | | Grand Secretary Coupons..... | 250.40 | |
| | | Royal Bank Current Account..... | 50.50 | |
| | | | | 640.10 |
| | | Carried Forward ..... | | $ 3,379.07 |

General Expense Account, Freemasons' Hall.

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|---|---|---|---|---|
| 1909. | | | | |
| May | 7. | To Halifax Electric Tram Co., Lighting..$ | 27.61 | |
| | 13. | Halifax Electric Tram Co., Fixtures.. | 1.90 | |
| | | City of Halifax, Taxes..... | 102.25 | |
| | | City of Halifax, Water Rates..... | 75.60 | |
| | | N. S. Fire Insurance Co., Premium... | 25.50 | |
| | | Halifax Fire Insurance Co., Premium | 42.50 | |
| | | Thompson, Adams & Co..... | 17.00 | |
| | | Soulis, Newscome & Co., Repairs.... | 5.75 | |
| | | S. Cunard & Co., Coal..... | 6.50 | |
| | | A. & W. MacKinlay, Stationery..... | 24.03 | |

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| Aug. | 2. | J. E. Webster, Salary and Rent..... | 161.00 | |
| | 7. | Halifax Electric Tram Co., Light.... | 19.41 | |
| Sept. | 3. | Halifax Electric Tram Co., Light.... | 17.09 | |
| | | N. S. Fire Insurance Co., Premium.... | 34.00 | |
| Oct. | 4. | Halifax Electric Tram Co., Light.... | 20.50 | |
| | | S. Cunard & Co., Coal..... | 5.00 | |
| Nov. | 2. | J. E. Webster, Salary and Rent..... | 160.50 | |
| | 8. | Halifax Electric Tram Co., Light..... | 34.57 | |
| | | N. S. Telephone Co., Rent..... | 11.75 | |
| | | S. Cunard & Co., Coal..... | 119.78 | |
| | | City of Halifax, Water Rates..... | 3.40 | |
| | | L. Buskins, Sweeping Chimney..... | 3.00 | |
| Dec. | 2. | Halifax Electric Tram Co., Light.... | 41.67 | |
| | | Acadia Fire Insurance Co., Premium.. | 51.00 | |
| 1910. | | | | |
| Jan. | 6. | Halifax Electric Tram Co., Lights.... | 25.69 | |
| | | Queens Insurance Co., Premium..... | 25.50 | |
| | | N. S. Telephone Co., Rent..... | 11.75 | |
| | | S. Cunard & Co., Coal..... | 88.43 | |
| | 14. | J. E. Webster, Removing Ashes, etc.. | 2.50 | |
| | | T. A. S. DeWolf & Son, Wood..... | 4.50 | |
| | | C. Norris, Cleaning Carpets..... | 15.00 | |
| Feb. | 3. | Halifax Electric Tram Co., Light..... | 29.73 | |
| | | J. E. Webster, Salary and Rent..... | 161.90 | |
| Mar. | 4. | Halifax Electric Tram Co., Light.... | 27.83 | |
| Apr. | 1. | S. Cunard & Co., Coal..... | 69.35 | |
| | 4. | Halifax Electric Tram Co., Light.... | 39.34 | |
| May | 3. | J. E. Webster, Salary and Rent..... | 162.50 | |
| | | Halifax Electric Tram Co., Light.... | 34.85 | |
| | | N. S. Telephone Co., Rent..... | 11.75 | |
| | 30. | S. Cunard & Co., Coal..... | 30.00 | |
| June | 2. | Halifax Electric Tram Co., Light..... | 28.40 | |
| | | | | $ 1,792.08 |
| | | Carried Forward ..... | | $ 5,171.15 |

Repairs to Freemasons' Hall.

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|---|---|---|---|---|
| July | 19. | To G. M. Cullen & Co., Painting..... | 47.00 | |
| | 29. | John Starr & Co., Wiring..... | 25.27 | |
| Nov. | 8. | J. Mowbray, Repairs to S. R. Room.. | 60.00 | |
| | | Farquhar Bros., Electric Fittings.... | 46.50 | |

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| Dec. | 2. | MacDonald & Co., Hot Water Fittings | 30.96 | |
| Jan. | 10. | Jas. Taylor, Mason Work..... | 9.52 | |
| | 14. | J. Wonnocott, Locksmithing..... | .60 | |
| Apr. | 1. | Canada General Electric, Lamps..... | 24.00 | |
| | | Farquhar Bros., Contract Wiring, etc.. | 320.96 | |
| May | 4. | Farquhar Bros., Wiring, etc..... | 4.91 | |
| | | C. R. Rosborough ..... | 3.08 | |
| | | | | 572.80 |
| | | Transferred to Freemasons' Home..... | | 2,965.00 |
| | | | | 8,708.95 |
| | | Balance on hand..... | | 4,079.21 |
| | | | | $12,788.16 |

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|---|---|---|---|---|
| June | 7. | By Balance ..... | | $ 2143.21 |
| Oct. | 27. | Received from Thos. Mowbray, Grand Secy. | $ 69.00 | |
| 1910. | | | | |
| Jan. | 14. | " " " " " | 592.00 | |
| Apl. | 21. | " " " " " | 350.25 | |
| May | 10. | " " " " " | 600.00 | |
| | 14. | " " " " " | 1500.00 | |
| | 17. | " " " " " | 1000.00 | |
| | 19. | " " " " " | 1800.00 | |
| | 25. | " " " " " | 2000.00 | |
| | 31. | " " " " " | 1200.00 | |
| June | 2. | " " " " " | 1533.70 | |
| | | | | $10644.95 |
| | | | | $12788.16 |

E. & O. E. JOHN MACALONEY,
Grand Treasurer.

Halifax, June 4, 1910.

Examined and found correct,

WM. H. WETHERBY,
W. L. BROWN.

## REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON CHARITY.

The Grand Secretary submitted the following report, which on motion of M. W. Bro. C. R. Smith, seconded by R. W. Bro. D. A. Thompson, was received and adopted.

To the M. W. the Grand Lodge of Nova Scotia:

Your Committee on Charity beg to report that during the year we have drawn upon the Trustees of the Grand Lodge Fund of Benevolence for the relief of sundry persons the sum of one hundred and sixty dollars.

All of which is respectfully submitted,

WILLIAM CROWE,
JOHN MACALONEY,
THOMAS MOWBRAY.

Halifax, June 6, 1910.

## REPORT OF TRUSTEES OF GRAND LODGE FUND OF BENEVOLENCE.

M. W. Bro. T. Trenaman submitted the following report, which on motion of M. W. Bro. C. R. Smith, seconded by R. W. Bro. D. A. Thompson, was received and adopted.

To the M. W. the Grand Lodge A. F. & A. M. of Nova Scotia:

The Trustees of the Fund of Benevolence of Grand Lodge beg to submit for your information the statement and accounts of the Fund for the year just ended:

Statement 1909-10.

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| June 1, 1909. | By Balance brought forward | $2,027.86 |
| May 18, 1910. | Interest on Grand Lodge Debentures—Freemasons' Hall, coupons due Dec. 1, 1909 | 124.00 |
| | Interest on deposit, Saving Bank Branch of Royal Bank | 57.67 |
| | | $2,209.53 |

Disbursements.

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|---|---|---|---|
| June 15, 1909. | Grand Secy. for Mrs. Hirtle, Winnipeg, widow of Bro. Geo. A. Hirtle, of Acadia Lodge, No. 14, Halifax, N.S., vote of Grand Lodge..... | $100.00 | |
| June 30 | ..... | 30.00 | |
| Dec. 21. | Grand Secy. for relief of widow of Bro. J. R. Graham, P.M., of Athol Lodge, No. 15 ..... | 25.00 | |
| May 4, 1910. | Grand Secy. for Bro. Wm. Nixon, formerly of Keith Lodge, No. 23, Stellarton ..... | 5.00 | |
| | | | 160.00 |
| | Balance carried forward ..... | | 2,019.53 |
| | | | $2,049.53 |

All of which is respectfully submitted.

ALEX. STEPHEN,
THOS. TRENAMAN, P.G.M.,
Trustees.

## REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON FINANCE & AUDIT

The Grand Secretary submitted printed report (which was freely distributed to the Brethren) which on motion of R. W. Bro. J. C. Jones, seconded by R. W. Bro. J. M. Lawson, was received and adopted.

To the Most Worshipful Grand Lodge of A. F. & A. M. of Nova Scotia:

Your Committee on Finance and Audit beg to report that they have examined the accounts and vouchers of the Grand Treasurer and Grand Secretary for the past year, and have found them correct.

RECEIPTS.

| | |
|---|---|
| Balance in Grand Treasurer's hands..... | $ 2,143.21 |
| Received by Grand Secretary from Subordinate Lodges for dues, etc ..... | 5,909.95 |

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| Received per Capita tax Masonic Home from Subordinate Lodges | 2,965.00 | |
| Received Rents from Subordinate Lodges Freemasons' Hall | 1,250.00 | |
| Received Rents from Lecture Hall | 520.00 | |
| | | 10,644.95 |
| | | $12,788.16 |

PAYMENTS ON ORDINARY ACCOUNT.

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| Diplomas | $ 219.50 | |
| J. E. Webster, Tyling and expenses | 88.80 | |
| Printing Proceedings | 444.70 | |
| Stationery | 40.52 | |
| Printing and Advertising | 203.68 | |
| Grand Secretary's Salary | 1,300.00 | |
| Postage, Telegrams and Sundries | 404.27 | |
| Guarantee Bonds, G. Secy. and G. Treas. | 37.50 | |
| | | 2,738.97 |

PAYMENTS ON ACCOUNT FREEMASONS' HALL.

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| General Expenses | $1,792.08 | |
| Repairs | 572.80 | |
| Interest on Debentures | 589.60 | |
| Interest on overdraft Royal Bank | 50.50 | |
| | | 3,004.98 |

HOME FOR AGED MASONS.

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| Deposited in Royal Bank of Canada | 2,965.00 | |
| | | 8,708.95 |
| Balance in hands of Grand Treasurer | | 4,079.21 |
| | | $12,788.16 |

ASSETS.

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| Balance in Grand Treasurer's hands | $ 4,079.21 |

UNPAID DUES.

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| Eastern Light, No. 72, Guysboro | $88.50 | |
| Mariner's, No. 80, Louisburg | 82.25 | |
| Harmony, No. 56, Port Clyde | 6.00 | |
| | | $ 146.75 |

RENTS DUE.

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| Royal Standard, 398, R. E. | 151.50 | |
| | | 298.25 |
| | | $ 4,377.46 |

LIABILITIES.

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| Debentures Freemasons' Hall | $14,860.00 |

All of which is respectfully submitted,

W. L. BROWN,
WM. H. WETHERBY,
Finance and
Audit Committee.

Halifax, June 3rd, 1910.

## REPORT COMMITTEE ON CHARTERS.

W. Bro. W. L. Kane submitted report, which on motion of R. W. Bro. A. J. Wolff, seconded by W. Bro. J. C. Jones, was received and adopted.

To the M. W. Grand Lodge of Nova Scotia:

Your Committee on Charters beg leave to report that they have examined the papers and reports of Alexandra Lodge, Amherst, which was formed under Dispensation of the M. W. the Grand Master, dated October 21, 1909, and find that all business has been conducted in a Constitutional manner.

We have, therefore, much pleasure in recommending that the prayer of the petitioners for a Charter be granted, and we feel that we are justified in predicting a most prosperous future for this new Lodge.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

M. LESTER KANE,
A. J. MORRISON,

Wolfville, N.S., June 8, 1910.

## REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON GRIEVANCES AND APPEAL.

M. W. Bro. T. Trenaman reported verbally that no complaints had been submitted to the Committee during the year.

## REPORTS OF DISTRICT DEPUTY GRAND MASTERS.

The Grand Secretary submitted the Reports of the Nine District Deputies which were, upon motion of R. W. Bro. J. R. MacDonald, seconded by W. Bro. Frank B. Dunlop, taken as read and referred to a Special Committee consisting of R. W. Bro. B. D. Bent and W. Brethren L. W. Sleep and Wm. H. Smith.

### DISTRICT NO. 1.

W. M. Black, Esq. Halifax, N. S., May, 31st 1910.

*Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of N. S. A. F. & A. M.*

*Most Worshipful Grand Master :—*

I have the honor to submit to you my second official report as your Deputy for District No. 1. I have visited all the lodges in this district, and find masonry in a very progressive and satisfactory condition, there being a net gain in membership of sixty-seven during the past year, an increase over 50% greater than during the previous year.

Visited the Lodges in the City of Halifax in the following order :

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| St. Andrew's | No. | 1 | Mar. | Ist. |
| Burns | " | 10 | " | 2nd |
| Royal Sussex | " | 6 | " | 3rd |
| St. John's | " | 2 | " | 7th |
| Athol | " | 15 | " | 9th |
| St. Mark's | " | 38 | " | 11th |
| Acadia | " | 14 | " | 14th |
| Virgin | " | 3 | " | 28th |
| Keith | " | 17 | Apr. | 14th |
| Union | " | 18 | " | 18th |

Examined their books and found them very satisfactory in every particular. The conditions being so similar in every case that I refrain from making any individual comments, all having had a very satisfactory year's work. The records of each lodge being very neatly and correctly kept, reflecting the highest credit on their very efficient staff of secretaries.

Visited Eastern Star No. 51, Dartmouth, April 12th, and had the pleasure of witnessing the first installation ceremony in their New Hall. This Lodge deserves great credit for their energy in erecting and furnishing such a handsome and convenient hall, and are meeting with well deserved success, having had a net gain of nineteen in membership during the past year.

Also visited Eureka No. 42, Sheet Harbor, May 9th at an emergent meeting called to receive the Grand Master, this being my first official visit to this Lodge. Examined their books for the past two years and found them correctly and neatly kept by their very efficient secretary Worshipful Brother Dunlop, was both surprised and delighted to find such a fine Masonic Hall all free of debt. Besides they have a substantial cash balance on hand, which is always at the disposal of any of their brethren in time of sickness or trouble, as the Lodge records bear ample testimony to this fact. Later in the evening had the honor and pleasure of accompanying you Most Worshipful Sir on your official visitation to the Lodge, and also of partaking of their bounteous hospitality in the large supper room downstairs.

In conclusion I wish to tender my sincere thanks to officers and members of the various Lodges for the very cordial reception tendered to me as your representative. To the secretaries for their kindly assistance. To the very large number of officers and members of the Grand Lodge who so kindly accompanied me on these visitations, and to you Most Worshipful Sir for the high honor conferred upon me in appointing me as your representative in this district.

Sincerely and fraternally yours,

D. A. Thompson,
*D. D. G. M. District No. 1.*

## DISTRICT NO. 2.

W. Marshall Black, Esq.,
*Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Nova Scotia, A. F. & A. M.*

*Most Worshipful Sir:—*

I beg to present this the second report of my incumbency as your Deputy for District No. 2.

My visits to the various Lodges have been occasions of interest, at least to myself, inasmuch as I have found the Brethren developing their strength both in numbers, in enthusiasm and in the improved character of the work done.

At the regular communication in February I made my official visit to St. George's Lodge, No. 20, which has prospered under the successful mastership of Brother Creighton, ably assisted by his efficient Wardens. St. George's takes pride, not only in its antiquity, but in the general accuracy of the work performed. I had the pleasure of accompanying, you sir, on the occasion of your attendance at the celebration of its 125th Anniversary in November last, when interesting events in the history of this old Lodge were under review. Some of its oldest members, such as W. Brothers J. W. Bigelow, Dr. E. N. Payzant, and others, indulged in pleasant reminiscences and the visiting brethren from other Lodges of the District gave addresses appropriate to the occasion.

The membership of St. George's has grown within recent years from about 40 to about 100. Its well kept records, its healthy financial condition and its masonic enthusiasm augur well for its future.

My next official visit was on March 2nd, when I met the Brethren of Scotia Lodge, No. 28, Canning. Although the notice given was only one day in advance of my going, the attendance was comparatively large, especially on the part of the older members, several having come a considerable distance to be present.

Worshipful Master Ira B. Solomon has had a prosperous year, having raised a larger number than in former years. The work exemplified was well done, the finances in a healthy condition and the books well kept. The Brethren are true and generous as indicated by the refreshments served, the speeches made and the music rendered. The future of Scotia is bright with promise. Worshipful Bro. Solomon was re-elected Master for the 2nd year.

On April 11th, I visited Kentville Lodge, No. 58, and installed the officers elect. I was accompanied by Rt. W. Brother A. J. McKenna and W. M. elect R. W. Ford of St. George's, No. 20, being assisted by them and others in the ceremony. There was a large attendance and the Brethren were exceedingly hospitable. W. Bro. Arthur M. Shaw has witnessed the continued prosperity of the Lodge and his successor, Bro. W. H. Starr, enters upon his office as Master with good prospects The members are united and loyal, the Secretary's books are kept in good form, and there is a substantial surplus in the Treasury. The sumptuous repast served in the Railway Restaurant at the close of the evening afforded another of the many similar evidences of the fellowship of the Kentville Brethren, which was no less apparant than when I had the honor to accompany you upon your official visitation to their Lodge in December last.

My visit to Welsford, No. 26, occurred on the same evening, April 14th, as that of your own official visit, when at your suggestion I spent a short time with the Lodge prior to your own reception by the Brethren. This was the night of Installation, the ceremony being ably performed by Rt. W. Bro. Wm. M. Christie.

I found the minutes kept with exceptional neatness and accuracy by the very efficient Secretary, P. M. Jesse P. Smith. The Lodge established a pleasing precedent that evening in presenting Bro. Smith with $25.00 as a slight token of appreciation and was heartily approved of by W. M. Hanebury.

As an indication of the prosperity of Welsford Lodge, I ascertained that no less than 25 candidates had been raised during the year. All were edified by your practical address concerning matters bearing upon the welfare of Masonry throughout the jurisdiction, and I feel sure the reports to Grand Lodge will prove that this Lodge and others in District No. 2 have had a banner year.

I also attended the last communication of Harmony Lodge, No. 52. Though the attendance was not large, the meeting was very pleasant. The 1st degree was conferred by W. M. F. E. Harris in a very creditable manner. This Lodge has had a good year. Eight candidates having been raised and others affiliated. There was a balance of $209.00 in the treasury at the year's close and the efficient Secretary, William Holland, was still at his post of duty. Though the members are scattered, several attending from Kingston and Berwick, they are nevertheless loyal to our principles and enterprises.

I beg to express my appreciation of your courtesy to me as your Deputy and to acknowledge the pleasure of serving under you upon the Board of Trustees of the N. S. Free Mason's Home.

In taking leave of you and the duties of my office I wish to thank the Brethren of the various Lodges for their uniform kindness and consideration.

Respectfully submitted,

I. B. Oakes,
*D. D. G. M. District No. 2.*

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## DISTRICT NO. 3.

Bear River, N. S., May 18th, 1910

W. Marshall Black, Esq.,

*Grand Master of Masons in the Province of Nova Scotia,*

Wolfville, Nova Scotia.

*Most Worshipful Sir :—*

I have the honor to submit my second report as Deputy for District No. 3 for the past Masonic Year, during which I have visited officially every Lodge in the District except Freeport, No. 65, which, owing to the time required and difficulty in reaching these good brethren, with your kind permission, I was excused the pleasure of visiting. Your own official visit was to them of so pleasing a character that mine was not missed.

I am glad to be able to report that the Lodges in this District are as a whole making progress both in increased membership and Masonic interest. Dues are being more promptly paid and the general financial position improving.

June 28th, 1909. I had the pleasure of attending a special communication of Grand Lodge called for the purpose of laying the Corner Stone of the new Court House at Digby. The ceremony as conducted by the Grand Master and Grand Lodge officers was impressive, instructive and replete with interest.

December 27th, 1909. By special invitation I attended Keith Lodge, No. 16, at the Celebration of St. John's Day. This took the form of a sermon, both eloquent and instructive, by Rev. Bro. I. W. Porter, now of St. Georges Lodge, No. 20, Wolfville. After the service at the church the

Lodge with their invited guests repaired to the Lodge room, now suitably arranged for the purpose, where a sumptuous banquet was prepared. The usual toast list and speeches added much pleasure. Several guests of that evening have since become Master Masons and have added much strength to the Lodge.

March 6th, 1910. By special invitation visited King Solomon Lodge No. 54, Digby, the occasion being an emergent communication called for the purpose of paying the last sad rites to our late brother, John M. Veits, Past Master and Secretary of that Lodge. This brother was highly esteemed by members of Grand Lodge and will be greatly missed by all who knew him.

March 22nd, 1910. Visited Ionic Lodge, No. 73, Middleton, accompanied by P. D. D. G. M. F. L. Schaffner. The interest in this Lodge has been well sustained during the year, a fair increase in members and a healthy financial condition. A pleasing season of refreshment was enjoyed at the close.

April 4th, 1910. I had the honor to accompany you on the occasion of your official visit to Keith Lodge, No. 16, and the pleasure of acting as your presenting officer when you kindly consented to install the officers of that Lodge for the ensuing year. The Lodge greatly appreciated the honor of your visit.

April 5th, 1910. Visited King Solomon Lodge, No. 54, Digby, accompanied by R. W. Bro. Driffield, Grand Chaplain. The financial standing of this Lodge grows stronger. While the brethren will for a long time miss the services of their late most efficient Secty., yet it is hoped another will serve the Lodge with equal zeal. In the meantime a pro tem appointment has been made with your sanction. Bro. Driffield and I retired for the purpose of accompanying Most Worshipful the Grand Master on his official visitation. Your address was instructive and well received. The installation of the officers by you was a pleasing part of the evening's program. At the close supper was served at the hotel.

April 20th, 1910. Visited Annapolis Royal Lodge, No. 33. This Lodge has during the year made progress, enrolling during the year eight new members. Found the books well kept and financial condition improving. At the request of the W. M. I installed an efficient staff of officers for the ensuing year. A luncheon at the close of Lodge brougth a most enjoyable evening to a close.

April 21st, 1910. Visited Rothsay Lodge, No. 41, Bridgetown, accompanied by P. D. D. G. M. F. S. Anderson and P. G. S. F. R. Fay. Inspected books of Secty. and Treas., found everything satisfactory, a decrease in the unpaid dues and an increase in cash on hand, showing that due diligence is being taken in this most important matter.

During the year the brethren were called upon to mourn the loss of Brother Otterson, their W. M., who was summoned to the Grand Lodge above where the "Supreme Architect of the Universe forever reigns and forever presides."

By request, I installed the officers for the ensuing year and I have every confidence in predicting a prosperous year to these good brethren. At the close a dainty collation was served.

May 2nd, 1910. Visited Keith Lodge, No. 16. Bear River. The year with this Lodge has been one of progress. A good number of desirable members has been added. The finances are in a good condition and much interest is manifest. Back dues are well looked after by an efficient Secretary. The brethren find their room too small and expect in the near future to make suitable additions to their building which they own. Witnessed the entered apprentice degree conferred upon three candidates by W. M. W. H. Smith and officers in a very creditable manner.

Now having completed my second year as your Deputy for District No. 3 I wish to express my great appreciation of the honor conferred. During the entire term I have in all the Lodges received every kindness and courtesy as your representative.

I would thank too the G. L. Officers who have so kindly accompanied me on my several visitations, as well as the brethren for their hospitality. The acquaintances formed and the kindnesses received will ever remain as bright spots on memory's page.

Thanking you Most Worshipful Sir for the pleasure and honor conferred

I remain,

Yours fraternally,

WAYLAND E. READ,
*D. D. G. M. District No. 3.*

## DISTRICT NO. 4.

WILLLIAM MARSHALL BLACK, ESQ.,
*Grand Master of Masons of Nova Scotia.*

*Most Worshipful Sir:*

I have the honor to submit for your consideration the following report as your Deputy for District No. 4 for the past Masonic year.

During the year I have made nine official visits, having visited every Lodge in my District, and in each case had the pleasure of installing the officers of the respective Lodges. Owing to the peculiar and, to me, rather inconvenient train service along the south shore, I was obliged to spend ten days altogether in visiting the six Lodges outside the Town of Yarmouth.

On Monday, February 14th., I visited Concord Lodge, No. 24, Clarke's Harbour. Owing to the fact that a large number of the Brethren of this Lodge, by reason of their occupations, have to leave their homes early in March, a dispensation to meet in the afternoon, before the regular hour provided for in the By-laws, and to elect and install the officers, had been asked for and granted, after the election of the officers the Lodge went from Labor to refreshment, and the Brethren retired to the parlours, where a bountiful repast was served by the ladies.

At the request of Worshipful Master Clarence K. Hogg, I installed his officers for the ensuing year. As the Worshipful Brother Hogg was re-elected, I did not have to confer the Past Master Degree, but at the request of the Past Masters present, I gave a portion of the work for their instruction.

About fifty Brethren were present, including visitors, among whom was Bro. Brenton C. Kenney of Scotia Lodge, No. 31, who accompanied me from Yarmouth. At the close of the Lodge, the ladies were invited to the Lodge room where a most interesting and enjoyable literary and musical programme was carried out.

The Secretary's books were not in all respects as well kept as I should like to have found them. I pointed out wherein I considered improvements could be made, particularly in the due's book. I also called his attention to the Minute Book, and suggested that he make it conform more strictly to the form prescribed in the Appendix to the Constitution, and received the assurance that hereafter more care would be given to this matter.

The Lodge during the year has done good work, having raised six candidates. The finances of the Lodge were in good condition and the amount of uncollected dues small.

Altogether, my first visit to this Lodge was a most pleasing and enjoyable one, and I shall always entertain most pleasant recollections of the kindness and hospitality of the Brethren in this part of the District.

On Tuesday, March 1, its regular night of meeting I visited Philadelphia Lodge, No. 47, Barrington Passage, and, at the request of Worshipful Master F. Leslie Wilson, installed all the officers except the S. D. and Marshall, who were not present. Worshipful Master Bro. Hogg of Concord Lodge, No. 24, attended with me and kindly assisted in the installation ceremony. Owing to the stormy weather and the very bad state of the roads, only twenty Brethren were in attendence, but what was lacking in numbers was made up by the enthusiasm of those present.

In no Lodge that I have visited in this District have I met so many Brethren so well informed on the general principles of Masonry or as ready to respond and give interesting addresses, when called upon, as in this Lodge. The finances of the Lodge were in a satisfactory condition, and I found the books all neatly and exceedingly well kept.

Eleven regular and three emergent communications had been held during the year. In each case the emergent meeting had been to attend a funeral,—the first being that of the late brother Right Worshipful Paul E. Crowell, P. D. D. G. M., in whose early death the Lodge, as well as the District, suffered a great loss. The last emergent meeting was to attend the funeral of the late Brother, Cedric Robertson, who had been a member of the Lodge for only a short time, and whose loss the Brethren were still deeply feeling when I visited them.

I visited Zarthan Lodge, No. 82, on its regular night of meeting, March 7th, accompanied by Past Master Henry Churchill of Hiram Lodge, No. 12. A heavy gale, accompanied by a down pour of rain, prevented many from being present, and consequently the attendance was not large. At the request of the Worshipful Master I installed such of the officers elect as were present. I found the books all properly and well kept and models of neatness, and all the records of the Lodge were satisfactory and complete.

It was on this night that the most Worshipful Grand Master officially visited Hiram Lodge, No. 12, Yarmouth, and I regretted very much that I did not have the pleasure of being present to attend with him on that occasion. I felt it my duty however, to be with the Brethren of Zarthan Lodge, as I had been requested to install the officers, and could not very conveniently arrange to meet them at a later date for as in the case of Concord Lodge many of the officers and Brethren leave home early in March, and it is always difficult to get a full meeting after that time of year.

Albert Lodge, No. 30, Shelburne. Through the kindness of the officers and members of this Lodge, I was enabled to visit them officially at a special meeting held on Monday evening, March 21st, and at the request of the Worshipful Master, to install the officers for the ensuing year. A large number of Brothers were present and I was most cordially and courteously-received.

The present Lodge room is small and inconvenient, but the Lodge owns a lot of land and expects soon to erect a new building, and already has a substantial sum on hand to apply to that purpose.

The books of the Lodge had been well kept with the exception of the due's book, which was practically worn out. I called the Secretary's attention to the same, and as a result, he is having a new one made specially adapted to the purpose. I was particularly pleased to note that the books showed a very small amount of dues unpaid. This Lodge is financially in good standing.

I visited Taylor Lodge, No. 62, Lockeport, on its regular night of meeting, March 22nd, accompanied by Worshipful Master Bro. George K. Hines, of Albert Lodge, No. 30. A large number of members were present. At the request of the Worshipful Master I installed the officers of the Lodge for the present year.

That R. W. Bro. J. R. Ruggles, P. D. D. G. M., had been the Secretary of this Lodge, was a sufficient guarantee that the books and records were all in good order and most excellently and properly kept, and, upon examination, I found them so to be. The full number of regular meetings had been held during the year.

The future of this Lodge is most bright indeed. Housed in one of the best furnished rooms in the District, and in a building which the Lodge owns, they expect to be completely free of indebtedness at the end of the present year.

On the night of my visit they reinstated two old members and received seven new applications for membership. The members are enthusiastic and alive to their duty. With its capable staff of officers this Lodge may expect to do good work during the present year.

On Wednesday evening, March 23rd, I visited Harmony Lodge, No. 56, at Port Clyde, at a special meeting called for the purpose of installing the officers. About forty brethren were present, including W. M. Bro. F. Leslie Wilson, of Philadelphia Lodge, No. 47, who was accompanied by a dozen brethren from that Lodge. Assisted by Bro. Wilson, I installed the

Worshipful Master and such officers as were present, with the exception of the Secretary and Junior Steward, who declined to accept their respective offices, and refused to be installed, owing, as I afterwards learned, to some misunderstanding which arose among the Brethren on the night of election, and which had caused considerable friction among the Brethren. Under the circumstances, I suggested to Worshipful Master Swaine that he arrange with some of the Brethren who would be willing to fill these offices, and apply for a dispensation to elect and install them at the regular night of meeting. This, I subsequently learned, had been done, and the matter for the present satisfactorily adjusted.

I found the books of this Lodge in excellent order, very neat, and all the records exceedingly well kept, reflecting much credit upon their efficient and painstaking Secretary, Bro. Jas A. McKay. It is to be regretted that it could not have been so arranged as to have continued him in office.

This Lodge has a membership of thirty-seven Master Masons. The finances of the Lodge are in a splendid condition, and the outstanding dues, at the time of my visit, amounted to only $16.60, all collectable, and owing largely by Brethren who were temporarily away from home.

The Lodge has a splendid new building with a commodious Lodge room, which, when completed, will be one of the best in this District. It is arranged for a shop underneath, so that instead of paying rent, the Lodge will be in receipt of an income from the building. The present debt on the building amounts to only $600, and when completed the property will be worth over $2500.00.

After the installation ceremony, a lunch was served in the adjoining room, and altogether a very pleasant and profitable evening was spent. There being no Hotel at Port Clyde, I accepted the very kind invitation of Bro. Jas. D. Densmore, M. D., to stop at his house while there, and where I may say I was most hospitably entertained.

I enjoyed the large hearted hospitality of the Brethren at Port Clyde, and look back upon my visit to this part of the District as one of the most pleasant of my Masonic visits.

I visited Hiram Lodge, No. 12, Yarmouth, N. S., on their regular night of meeting, April 4th, and installed all the officers except the Senior Warden, who, after having been elected, had left the Province to reside permanently in the North West.

The Lodge subsequently obtained a dispensation to elect and install its S. W. at the regular meeting in May, when I attended unofficially and installed him.

The books and records were all in order and neatly and well kept. A large reduction had been made during the year in the amount of outstanding dues. The Lodge has been doing good work during the past year under its painstaking and efficient Master, Bro. Clements. I found the large average attendance of its Past Masters during the year worthy of special mention. Financially, this Lodge occupies first place among the Lodges in this District, having assets according to its last annual statement, of over Three Thousand Dollars.

The hospitality and kindness of the Brethren make it a pleasure to visit this Lodge on any occasion, but particularly so when one has the privilege of visiting there in an official capacity. Over seventy-five Brethren were present and after the Lodge closed, lunch was served in the adjoining parlors.

The prospects for Hiram Lodge are particularly bright, and under the able Mastership of the Rev. Bro. Dr. Hill, it may be depended upon to give a good account of itself during the coming year.

On Monday evening, April 18th, its regular night of meeting, I visited Scotia Lodge, No. 31, Yarmouth. The present Secretary has fully maintained the excellent standard for neatness and completeness with which the books and records of this Lodge have always been kept. The book containing the record of membership is one of the most complete and well kept of any in the District. This Lodge has just closed one of the most successful years in its history, having raised fourteen candidates.

The finances of the Lodge are in good condition, and the Brethren are taking a lively interest in the Lodge and in Masonry generally. The minutes showed a large average attendance of Past Masters during the year. To this regular attendance of the old Past Masters in both Scotia and Hiram Lodges may be attributed, in a certain manner, the excellent work done by these Lodges and the consequent great interest that is being taken in Masonry generally in Yarmouth.

Though it had been arranged that I should install the officers for the ensuing year, I declined to do so, owing to the absence of Bro. Goudey. the Worshipful Master elect, who was unable to attend, being confined to his house by sudden and severe illness. Subsequently, a dispensation was granted, permitting the installation to take place on the regular night of meeting in May, when I again officially visited the Lodge and installed the Worshipful Master and his officers.

In making my official visits, I was, on all occasions, received by the Brethren with the utmost kindness and courtesy, which made these events a

source of great pleasure to me personally, as well as affording me an opportunity of learning many new things about the conditions of Masonry in the District.

All along the line I found a growing interest in Masonry and, with the one exception to which I have referred, found the best of Masonic spirit prevailing throughout the District. Everywhere I went I found the Brethren most enthusiastic over the recent visitations of the Most Worshipful Grand Master, and I feel that much good must necessarily result therefrom, In some cases, there may be room for improvement in the manner of putting on the Lodge work, but I always found that the Brethren were eager to learn and ready to adopt any suggestions I had to make. Much has been done in this respect by my predecessors and there is much more that can be accomplished. I trust that the day is not far distant when all the Lodges in this District will be doing work equal to the best in our Grand Lodge jurisdiction.

Thanking you Most Worshipful Sir, for the distinction you have conferred on me by appointing me your Deputy in this District, I have the honor to be,

Yours Fraternally,

ROBERT S. MCKAY,
*D. D. G. M. for District No. 4.*

Yarmouth, N. S., June 1st, 1910.

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## DISTRICT NO. 5.

W. MARSHALL BLACK, ESQ.,
*M. W. Grand Master of Grand Lodge of N. S.*

*Most Worshipful Sir:*

I have the honour to present my annual report as District Deputy Grand Master of District No. 5.

February 25th. I had the honour of accompanying you on your official visitation to Charity Lodge, No. 69, Mahone Bay. It is unnecessary for me to remind you of the cordiality of your reception and the great pleasure your visit afforded the brethren of this Lodge. I took advantage of this opportunity to examine the books and found them correct and very neatly kept.

March 9th. I again had the pleasure of attending you on the occasion of your official visit to Unity Lodge, No. 4, Lunenburg. Along with yourself and other Grand Lodge officers I was a guest at a sumptuous and altogether enjoyable banquet provided by the brethren of Unity.

March 11th. Attended you on visit to LaHave Lodge, No. 81, Riverport, and participated in the subsequent feast.

March 17th. Visited officially LaHave Lodge, No. 81, Riverport, my mother Lodge, and installed the newly elected officers. This Lodge has been making steady progress and is in a good condition financially and masonically. During the summer the Lodge room will be renovated and appropriately decorated. The books are neatly and correctly kept. In this visitation I was accompanied by Bros. Whitney and Anderson of Unity, No. 4.

April 12th. I visited officially Prince of Wales Lodge, No. 29, Milton, accompanied by my friend, Dr. F. S. L. Ford, P. D. D. G. M. I installed the newly elected officers, our esteemed brother P. M. R. C. Ford acting as presenting officer. I also witnessed the conferring of the Third Degree. This Lodge has had some special instruction from P. D. D. G. M. Ford and the work was put on in a manner that would have pleased you, M. W. Sir. Two esteemed brothers, who had about reached their seventieth milestone assisted in the degree work and showed an enthusiasm which should prove an inspiration to the younger brethren. The books are neatly and correctly kept. I have to thank the brethren of Prince of Wales for their cordiality and most kindly treatment of your representative.

April 19th. Visited officially Charity Lodge, No. 69, Mahone Bay, and on invitation of the W. M. installed the officers. In this I was ably assisted by V. W. Bro. Geo. Slauenwhite, G. J. D., and R. W. Bro. C. I. F. Whitney, P. D. D. G. M. This Lodge, which has had a long and honourable record, has difficulty in passing the 45 membership mark but, with the excellent staff of new officers, will at least reach the half century mark during the coming year. I am endebted to the brethren of Charity for a pleasant and enjoyable evening as their guest at the Royal Hotel.

May 20th. Visited officially Unity Lodge, No. 4, Lunenburg, at a Special Communication. Examined the books and found everything satisfactory. The valued Secretary, Bro. Love, is an expert and the books are models of neatness and accuracy. This Lodge is making good progress and the newly installed officers are efficient and enthusiastic. A serious outbreak of Small Pox in Lunenburg County and its effect on my work professionally made it about impossible for me to visit the other Lodges as I had planned but your own official visitations to all the Lodges relieved me of any feeling of neglect. Permit me here M. W. Sir, to congratulate you on the result of your visitations. The brethren felt greatly honoured and the craft generally has received great benefit from your practical and eloquent addresses and genial association.

In all my official visits I was, as your representative, received with the honours of masonry.

I found little tendency to complain of the 50 cents tax for the Masonic Home, but in one instance a brother, who is a past officer of Grand Lodge, has refused for two years to pay his tax for the home, a ruling in the case of such delinquents would be in order.

On every possible opportunity I urged upon the brethren the necessity for better degree work and uniformity of ritual.

In conclusion, I can report the craft generally throughout District 5, to be in a healthy and progressive state, the financial condition satisfactory and a true Masonic spirit as a rule generally prevailing.

Thanking you, M. W. Sir, for the honour conferred upon me and LaHave Lodge by my appointment to this important and responsible position.

I am, very fraternally yours,

W. H. MACDONALD,
*D. D. G. M. District No. 5.*

Rose Bay, N. S., June 5th, 1910.

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DISTRICT No. 6.

TRURO, N. S., June 4th, 1910.

W. M. Black, Esq., Grand Master Mason of Nova Scotia.

Most Worshipful Sir:—

I have the honor to submit to you my first official report as your Deputy Grand Master for District No. 6.

I regret very much to state that owing to business engagements I have not been able to visit all the Lodges in the District, but as you have visited them all, they will not have suffered much from my inability to see them all.

I visited King Edward, No. 86, River Hebert; Laurie, No. 70, Springhill, North Star, No. 74, Londonderry; Corinthian, No. 63, Great Village, and Truro, No. 43, Truro.

King Edward, No. 86, the youngest chartered Lodge in the District and also in the Province, is in a very prosperous condition, the Brethren of this Lodge are most enthusiastic Masons and are looking forward to building a hall of their own during the present year.

Laurie, No. 70, notwithstanding the very adverse conditions under which they, as well as the town of Springhill, have been working for nearly a year, shows a surprising amount of work. I had the pleasure on the occasion of my visit to Laurie Lodge of installing the officers for the current year.

North Star, No. 74, has done quite a large amount of work during the past year, and this Lodge is in very good condition.

Corinthian, No. 63, is, as you know, one of the weaker Lodges in this District. Their membership is scattered and they often have some difficulty to get enough members together to hold their regular communications.

There has been some talk among the members of this Lodge of moving to Bass River and also of affiliating with North Star, No. 74, at Londonderry; from what I know of the conditions, I think the latter plan would be more in the interests of Masonry in this section of the country.

Truro, No. 43, has had about an average year and is in good shape.

From what I have been able to learn the Lodges which I was unable to reach are all in very good condition and no difficulties have arisen during the year.

I might say I have been asked by several Lodges for dispensations, which I had not the power to grant and would recommend to the new Masters a careful study of the constitution and by-laws of Grand Lodge.

Again apologizing for my failure to visit all the Lodges in the District, which I assure you was not from lack of interest.

I remain, yours fraternally,

JOHN W. LOGAN,
D. D. G. M. District No. 6.

DISTRICT No. 7.

New Glasgow, N. S., May 26th, 1910.

W. Marshall Black, Esq.,
Most Worshipful Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Nova Scotia.

Most Worshipful Sir:—

I take much pleasure in submitting a report of my work as your Deputy for District No. 7.

Since I accompanied you on your official visit to the Lodges in this District, in January, I have again visited as follows:

April 8th.—Visited Albion Lodge, No. 5, when there was a large attendance of members and visitors. Examined the books and found them in good order and well kept. They have not neglected themselves or their needy Brethren as they spent $215.00 for entertainment, and $286.00 for charity. Their dues are well paid up, for which the Secretary must have a share of the credit. The net increase of members was ten. At the request of the Worshipful Master I installed the officers. After the Lodge closed lunch was served and a pleasant hour spent.

April 12th.—Visited Western Star, No. 50, accompanied by a number of Brethren from Keith, No. 23, and Albion, No. 5. Examined the books and found them in good order. They have a large membership; their dues are in good shape and their average attendance good. Their net increase was six. At the request of the Worshipful Master, I installed the officers.

April 14th.—Visited New Caledonia, No. 11, accompanied by a number of Brothers of Albion, No. 5. There was a large attendance of members and visitors. Examined the books and found them in good order. They have quite an amount of dues owing, but these they expect to reduce in a short time. They held twenty-four meetings and made a net gain of four. At the request of the Worshipful Master, I installed the officers. After Lodge was closed we adjourned for lunch, when about fifty sat down. The usual toasts were drank and some good songs rendered.

April 22nd.—Visited Hudson, No. 77, accompanied by a number of Brethren. Examined the books and found them in excellent order. Their dues are almost nil. Their net gain in membership was

three. At the request of the Worshipful Master, I installed the officers. After Lodge closed lunch was served, and a very jolly hour spent in song and speech.

April 26th.—Visited Keith, No. 23. Examined the books and found them very correct. Their net gain was fourteen. At the request of the Worshipful Master, I installed the officers, when I had the assistance of P. D. D. G. M. J. M. Baillie; P.D.D.G.M. W. C. MacDonald; P.G. S., J. T. MacLeod, of Keith, No. 23, and Worshipful Bro. J. H. Wright, Burns, No. 10, and others. After Lodge closed lunch was served, and the usual social hour spent. The total net gain for District No. 7 was thirty-seven.

As it it such a short time since you visited these Lodges it is unnecessary for me to say anything about the work that has been done in this District. I can assure you that the reception accorded me was no less expressive than that accorded yourself and for this I wish to express my thanks to the Worshipful Masters, Officers and Brethren of these Lodges. Thanking you, most Worshipful Sir, for the honor you have done me in appointing me your representative for District No. 7. I remain,

Yours fraternally,

S. EASTWOOD.
D. D. G. M. District No. 7.

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DISTRICT No. 8.

Canso, N.S., June 4th, 1910.

W. Marshall Black, Esq.,
M. W. G. M. of the Grand Lodge of N. S., A. F. & A. M.

Most Worshipful Sir:—

I have the honor to submit my first annual report as your Deputy for District No. 8.

I visited Canso with you on your regular visit last winter, and again on May 6th, the regular meeting, and found the books of the Lodge kept by Bro. S. F. Newnham in a very creditable condition, but sorry to say there were quite a number of delinquents, but Bro. Newnham informed me that he hoped to have a better showing next year.

We had with us Right Worshipful G. Y. Grant, P.D.D.G.M. We also had the third degree conferred on two candidates by Worshipful Master J. W. Brown, after which we had refreshments, songs, etc.

On June 4th I visited Queens Lodge, No. 34, at a special meeting called for tha purpose. Made the usual examination and found everything satisfactory in every particular. Had visiting Bros. D. Rutherford and Spears, of Burns Lodge, Halifax.

We had speeches from most of the Brethren present, and wound up with having spent a very enjoyable evening.

I am very sorry I was unable to get to Eastern Light and Temple, owing to unavoidable circumstances.

Had I made my visits earlier in the year I could have got in all my visits, but I was requested to wait, which interfered with my own convenience.

Most especially Most Worshipful Sir do I thank you for appointing me to the honorable position of representing you for District No. 8.

I have the honor to be,

Fraternally yours,
W. A. MORGAN.

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DISTRICT No. 9.

Sydney, C. B., June 4th, 1910.

Thomas Mowbray, Esq.,
Right Worshipful Grand Secretary A. F. & A. M., R. N. S.

Rt. Wor. Sir and Brother:—

Herewith I beg to hand you the report of my work as D. D. G. M. for District No. 9. I was in hopes that I would this year be joining in the labors and pleasures of Grand Lodge, but sickness has claimed me as a victim and I fear that my recovery will not be sufficiently speedy to permit my attendance

Please convey my regrets to the M. W. the Grand Master. Sincerely trusting that the deliberations and decisions of Grand Lodge may be such as shall be best for the good of the Order, and to the glory of the Supreme Architect of the Universe.

Yours faithfully,
MARTIN B. DICKENSON.

DISTRICT No. 9.

Sydney, C. B., N. S., June 1st, 1910.

To William Marshall Black, Esq.,
The Most Worshipful, the Grand Master of Masons of Nova Scotia.

Most Worshipful Grand Master:—

The time has arrived when it is my duty and pleasure to submit you a Report as to the performance of those duties, which as your Deputy for District No. 9, I have had the honor to discharge. The District being a large one, embracing as it does, eleven Lodges, distributed over a large area, whose aggregate membership comprises one-fifth of that of the entire Jurisdiction, should have, from the Dist.-Deputy, a report that would add very considerably to the bulk of "Grand Lodge Proceedings." This being my first year I will endeavor to be brief in my statements.

Monday, Sept. 6th, 1909.—I had the honor of conducting the ceremony of laying the Corner Stone of the new Masonic Temple of Mariner's Lodge, No. 80, Louisburg, in the performance of which I was most ably assisted by:

The R. W. Bro. W. Crowe, K.C., as Acting Dep. G. M
R. W. Bro. A. G. McLean, as Acting Dep. S. G. W.
V. M. Bro. W. G. Graham, as Acting Dep. J. G. W.
R. W. Bro. W. W. Dillon, as Acting Dep. G. Treas.
W. Bro. W. D. MacKay, as Acting Dep. G. Sec.
R. W. Bro. F. L. Dixon, as Acting Dep. G. D. of W.
W. Bro. Nelson Muggah (assisted in the devotional exercises by Rev. Bros. J. Coffin, and J. L. Batty, G. Chap.)
V. W. Bros. J. A. McDonald, as Acting S. G. D.
W. Bro. W. J. R. McKay, as Acting J. G. D.
R. W. Bro. Noel Crewe-Read, Acting G. S. W. D. Br.
W. Bro. A. N. McLennan, as Acting S. S.

W. Bro. Publicover, G. D. of C., was of great assistance, performing the duties devolving on him in this capacity, as he is so efficiently able to do so.

On February 4th visited Royal Oak, No. 85, Sydney Mines. This young Lodge is certainly in a healthy condition. I found a good attendance of the members. The Worshipful Master and Officers

are conducting the business in a thorough manner, books in good shape, arrears of dues very light, and every care being exercised to insure the admission of none but good material.

On Friday, March 18th, I accepted an invitation to instal the officers for the ensuing year, in which I was ably assisted by W. Bro. Kenty, W. Bro. W. D. Mackay, W. Bro. Kerr. The work of the past year is a testimony to the "Zeal and Assiduity" with which W. Bro. Graham and his staff of officers discharged their duty, and from the excellent speeches of Bro. Dunlap, W.M., and the new officers, and is a manifest determination to maintain the rate of progress of this healthy and united Lodge. The splendid repast, which the wives and the officers had in waiting at the close of business, and which was much appreciated by all, is a proof that Royal Oak, in common with many other Lodges in this district, is receiving the loving support of those, who though debarred from entering into the active duties of Masonic work, are always ready and willing to contribute to the enjoyment of their selfish men.

On Monday, February 7th, paid official visit to Sydney, No. 84, accompanied by R. W. Bro. A. G. McLean, W. Bro. Publicover, and others. Was very cordially received on this, my first official visit to my own Lodge. The work so well begun by our Lodge is being continued. The degree work is being done with thoroughness, great care being exercised in fortifying the new members with a thorough knowldge of the several lectures. The books have been kept in good condition. The treasurer has a goodly balance to the credit of the Lodge, but I regret to report that the arrears of dues are much greater than are warranted by the short history of No. 84.

On Monday, March 28th, installed officers of No. 84 for the ensuing year, in which I was ably assisted by R. W. Bros. W. W. Dillon, F. L. Dixon, W. D. Mackay, and W. Bro. T. W. Publicover, and a number of the St. Andrew's Brethren. After the installation a very enjoyable time was spent around the festive board, when the local orators of the craft were given an opportunity of airing their eloquence and performing various gastronomic experiments. Bro. A. D. Gunn, Mayor of Sydney, was toastmaster.

Tuesday, February 15th—Visited St. Andrew's, No. 7, officially, in company with a number of the resident Grand Lodge officers and

members. Found the Lodge, as usual, busily engaged in conferring degrees. Whilst Second Degree work was progressing, I took the opportunity of looking over the books of the Secretary. It is needless to state that this was simply a matter of form, for the reputation of Bro. H. S. Theakston, as Secretary of the Lodge, is too widely known throughout the district to need any comment or criticism on the part of the D. D. G. M. Sufficeth to say, I found everything up-to-date, and in good shape. The task of collecting what was at one time a very large arreage of dues had been so successfully accomplished, that at the time of my visit there stood on the books but two members subject to the provision of the By-laws in this respect. During the winter months a very successful series of "At Homes" had been arranged, and much praise is due to W. Bro. T. W. Publicover, Bros. Dawson and H. Curry, forming the committee, for the very excellent entertainment provided for the wives and daughters of the fraternity. W. Bro. Publicover, who is always keen on entertainments and special functions of the order has added materially to the appearance of St. Andrew's Lodge Room by enlisting the sympathies of relatives of deceased Brethren, who have presented to Lodge 15 very handsome memorial chairs, which will stand as a great adornment to the Lodge room, and a lasting memorial to the departed Brethren, whose names are engraved on the particular chairs.

Monday, February 21st.—Visited Royal Albert, No. 19, North Sydney. Considering the very bad weather conditions, the Lodge was well attended by its members. I was very cordially received by R. W. Bro. W. D. Mackay, and W. Bro. Treen. Found the books in most excellent condition, dues well paid up, and a very successful year of work almost completed. At this communication the Second Degree was conferred in a most thorough manner by R. W. Bro. W. D. Mackay, and the lectures illustrated by stereoptican slides.

Tuesday, February 22nd.—Visited Tyrian Youth, No. 45, Glace Bay, accompanied by R. W. Bros. W. W. Dillon, P.D.D.G.M., R. W. Bro. T. W. Publicover, Bro. J. C. Townsend, and a number of visiting brothers from Sydney Found books of Lodge well kept, but regret to have to report that no doubt, very largely on account of the unfortunate labor dispute in this district, now happily concluded, the attendance of members was not up to the former average of this Lodge, whilst the arrears of dues was very excessive. On my visit to

instal the officers for the ensuing year, I was glad to learn that the amount of arrears had been greatly reduced, and there is every prospect of this magnificent Lodge immediately regaining its wonted enthusiasm and vigor.

My visit to Thistle Lodge, No. 36, Port Morien, on the night of their Regular Communication, Saturday, March 5th, was made possible by the kindness of W. Bro. T. W. Publicover, who drove me in his sleigh from Sydney and returned me safely home in time for dinner Sunday. The W. M. of the Lodge was prevented by sickness from attending. The S. W. conducted the business of the Lodge. As it was the night of the election of officers, I was fortunate in finding a well attended and enthusiastic meeting. This Lodge is certainly in possession of the true spirit of Masonery. I could see nothing but true love and harmony in the proceedings of the evening. I found the books in very good shape, arrears very trifling, absolute ownership of the Masonic Hall, and a fair balance in the hands of the treasurer. A suggestion that one sick brother might be in need of pecunary assistance resulted in the voluntary offering of all present to further the object of charity and brotherly love. Another pleasing feature in this Lodge is that W. Bros. Spencer, Anderson, and McLeod have been in constant attendance of the Lodge since the year 1866. After the election of the officers, a flash light photo of the Lodge was taken, but I cannot say for certain what happened. With the installation of the newly elected officers, in which I was assisted by Worshipful Bros. Publicover, Anderson, Spencer and McLeod, a very enjoyable and profitable evening was terminated with the usual exchange of compliments of the Order.

On April 7th was driven by W. Bro. Publicover to Louisburg, visiting Mariner's, No. 80, officially, and installing officers for the ensuing year. Found the books of the Lodge in good shape, dues well collected, but a big burden is being carried by the most devoted of the Brethren in the self imposed task of the new temple, the cost of which exceeded their original intentions. The entire absence of coal and other shipments during this year of the coal miners' strike has very seriously added to the burdens and difficulties of Mariner's Lodge. This is a case where the immediate assistance of any Lodge or order having funds at hand to dispose of might be most acceptably and properly applied. The unfortunate thing is the Brethren have been lifted on and not off the difficulties.

On April 18th visited Inverness, No. 83, Inverness. Not having previously visited this Lodge, and having no one to vouch for me, and in accordance with the caution of the M. W. G. M. when paying his official visit, I was subjected to a very proper examination, and had the satisfaction not only of "Proving my Own Work," but of being satisfied that I was visiting the Lodge standing on the registry of the Grand Lodge of Nova Scotia as No. 83. I found the Lodge had to report a successful year, the books of record in good condition, and financial condition in a very satisfactory state. A heavy loss, which had occurred in a previous year, had been almost fully restored. The First Degree was conferred by the newly installed officers in a most thorough manner, and from the spirit evidenced by all, it is evident that the Brethren of Inverness, No. 83, intend keeping to the fore in all good Masonic work.

Tuesday, April 19th.—Paid my official visit to Solomon, No. 46, Hawkesbury. Had the pleasure of spending the earlier portion of the day with Bro. Addison Martin, Secretary, who gave me a very interesting history of the Lodge. The books are well kept. The attendance, both at regular and emergent communications are good, the financial condition excellent, and arrears of dues comparatively light. A number of members of this Lodge are in distant parts, but apparently keep well in touch with the Secretary. With the assistance of R. W. Bro. Bain and Reynolds I installed the officers for the ensuing year.

Wednesday, April 20th.—Visited Sircom, No. 66, Whycocomagh. Found the books in good condition, very few in arrears. I found to my regret the W. M. unable, through sickness, to be present. On the invitation of the J. W., I conducted the business of the Lodge. This Lodge has raised eight during the year.

Thursday, April 21st.—Visited St. Mark's Lodge, No. 35, Baddeck. Found a very large gathering of Masons. Business opened at 7.45 p.m. Report of officers was received, announcing with pleasing intelligence that the whole indebtedness on the entire Masonic building had been wiped out during the previous week. Examined books of Secretary. Found them well and properly kept. Arrears of dues very slight. Membership growing very rapidly. The Three Degrees was conferred in a creditable manner with the full lectures in each degree, after which, with the assistance of R. W. Bro. Crowdis, and W. Bro. Pub-

licover, I installed the officers for the ensuing year. This was an exceedingly busy season, showing the enthusiasm of the Lodge. The session closed at 4.15 a.m. on the 22nd.

This ends the record of my first official year, and I feel sure that the thorough Masonic spirit is alive in District No. 9, and that the future prospects of our great and noble Order are well assured in this extreme Eastern District of the Jurisdiction.

Respectfully and Fraternally submitted,
(Sgd) M. B. DICKENSON.

## GRAND HISTORIAN.

M. W. Bro. Chas. R. Smith referred to the advisability of having a Grand Historian, and moved that a suitable Brother be appointed by the Grand Master to that office, this was seconded by M. W. Hon. W. Ross, and passed unanimously.

## ELDORADO LODGE

The Grand Secretary submitted papers in connection with the consolidation of Eldorado Lodge, No. 32, Port Milford, with Queens Lodge, No. 34, Sherbrooke, and they being in proper and constitutional form, moved by W. Bro. J. H. Winfield, seconded by W. Bro. J. D. Grant, that such consolidation be approved by Grand Lodge, passed unanimously.

## DEATH OF KING EDWARD VII.

The Grand Secretary read the following correspondence in connection with the lamented death of His Gracious Majesty Kind Edward VII, Past Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of England, and at the time of his death, Patron of English Freemasonry.

(Copy.)

Halifax, May 7, 1910.

Sir Edward Letchworth, Freemasons' Hall, London:

Nova Scotia Freemasons' extend heartfelt sympathy; King Edward's death a world-wide calamity.

THOMAS MOWBRAY,
Grand Secretary.

REPLY.

United Grand Lodge of England,
Freemasons' Hall,
Great Queen St., London, W. C.
25th May, 1910.

Dear Sir and Brother:—

I have received the commands of the Most Worshipful Grand Master to ask you to be so good as to convey to the Most Worshiful Master and Brethren of your Grand Lodge the grateful thanks of His Royal Highness, and the Grand Lodge of England for the expression of their loyal and fraternal sympathy on the irreparable loss the Craft has suffered by the lamented death of His late Majesty King Edward the Seventh, Protector of the order.

I am, Dear Sir and Brethren,

Yours fraternally,

E LETCHWORTH,
Grand Secretary.

The V. W. Brother Thomas Mowbray, G. Secretary Nova Scotia.

## REPORL OF COMMITTEE ON REVISION OF CONSTITUTION.

M. W. Bro. C. R. Smith, presented the result of its labor printed in pamphlet form, copies of which had been freely distributed several months ago, and moved that its con-

sideration be the first business taken up at this evenings session, this was seconded by R. W. Bro. G. A. Slawenwhite, and passed.

Grand Lodge was called from Labor to Refreshment at six o'clock to meet again at eight o'clock.

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## EVENING SESSION, Wednesday, June 8th, 1910.

Labor was resumed at 8 o'clock.

M. W. Bro. W. M. Black, Grand Master, presiding.

The Grand Secretary reported having received during recess a cheque for $19 as a donation from Royal Albert Lodge, No. 19, North Sydney, towards the funds of the N. S. Freemason's Home, and he was directed to convey to Royal Albert Lodge the thanks of Grand Lodge for their generosity.

He also reported having received a cheque for the dues &c., of Eastern Light Lodge, No. 72, Guysboro, and moved that the Representatives of that Lodge be allowed to exercise their rights at this Communication the same as if dues had been paid within statutory time, this was seconded by W. Bro. W. L. Kane, and passed unanimously.

## DISTRICTS IN CAPE BRETON.

A suggestion having been made that the Island of Cape Breton should be divided into two Masonic Districts, the Grand Master appointed M. W. Bro. W. Ross, R. W. Bro. Frank L. Dixon and W. Bro. T. W. Publicover a Special Committee to take the matter into consideration and report tomorrow.

## REVISION OF CONSTITUTION.

The report of Committeee was submitted by M. W. Bro. C. R. Smith in pamphlet form, each brother present being supplied with a copy and it was carefully considered clause by clause until 12.15 o'clock when its further consideration was deferred until next session of this Communication.

Grand Lodge was called off, until 2.30 o'clock p. m. tomorrow (Thursday) the forenoon being set apart for an excursion to the Masonic Home at Windsor.

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## AFTFRNOON SESSION—Thursday, June 9, 1910.

Grand Lodge resumed Labor at 2.30 o'clock.

M. W. Bro. W. M. Black, Grand Master, presiding.

The Grand Secretary read letter from Mr. A. T. Barrett, asking for a commission to paint a portrait of his late Majesty King Edward VII. On motion of M. W. Bro. T. Trenaman, seconded by M. W. Bro. W. Ross it was ordered to lie on the table.

## REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON REPORT OF GRAND SECRETARY, AND SECRETARY OF TRUSTEES OF FREEMASONS HALL, ALSO GRAND TREASURER'S REPORT.

W. Bro. J. H. Winfield submitted report as follows, which on motion of R. W. Bro. J. Murray Lawson, seconded by R. W. Bro. E. J. Vickery was received and adopted.

The Worshipful the Grand Master:—

Your Committee beg to report as follows with respect to the Grand Secretary's report:

We are pleased to note the large increase in membership and the prosperous condition of the finances. It is a source of gratification that perfect harmony has existed during the past year, both within the jurisdiction and with our relations with other jurisdictions.

With respect to the report of the Trustees of Freemasons' Hall:

Your Committee recommend that two model C. Longard boilers be installed, at a cost of $531.00, providing a satisfactory guarantee is given, as the saving in fuel will soon pay for the outlay, and that the estimates be amended accordingly.

The cupola of the building being the source of many leaks, which are causing great damage to the building, we consider it would be economy to have it removed, and recommend that the Trustees be empowered to do so if they consider it advisable, and that the sum of $500.00 be placed in the estimates for this purpose.

Your Committee beg to recommend that the Grand Treasurer's report and the report of the Committee on Finance and Audit, showing a balance of $1,936.00 of revenue over expenditures for the past year, ( very satisfactory statement) be adopted.

All of which is respectfully submitted,

F. S. L. FORD,
W. H. STARR,
J. H. WINFIELD.

## REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON REPORTS OF DISTRICT DEPUTY GRAND MASTER.

R. W. Bro. Barry D. Bent submitted report, which upon motion of R. W. Bro. J. C. Jones, seconded by W. Bro. T. W. Publicover, was received and adopted.

Wolfville, N. S., June 9, 1910.

The Most Worshipful Grand Master, Wardens, Officers and Members of the Grand Lodge of Nova Scotia, A. F. & A. M.:

Your Committee to whom was referred the Reports of the D. D. Grand Master's, beg leave to say that they have read the Reports and find them all so complete and satisfactory that there seems little for us to report upon, except the universal prosperity of our Order in the various Districts and efficient manner in which all our District Deputy Grand Masters have performed their duty. There are no recommendations in the reports which seem necessary to call to your attention.

L. W. SLEEP,
BARRY D BENT,
W. H. SMITH.

## REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON DIVISION OF NO. 9 DISTRICT.

Report of Special Committee on this subject was submitted by M. W. Bro. W. Ross with the following recommendation.

District No. 9 to embrace the following Lodges:
Royal Albert, No. 19, North Sydney.
St. Mark's, No. 35, Baddeck.
Solomon, No. 46, Port Hawkesbury.
Sircom, No. 66, Whycocomagh.
Inverness, No. 83, Inverness.
Royal Oak, No. 85, Sydney Mines.
And that No. 10 District embrace the following Lodges:
St. Andrew's, No. 7, Sydney.
Thistle, No. 36, Port Morien.
Tyrian Youth, No. 45, Glace Bay.
Mariner's, No. 80, Louisburg.
Sydney, No. 84, Sydney.
All of which is respectfully submitted,

(Sgd) W. ROSS,
F. L. DIXON,
T. W. PUBLICOVER.

Wolfville, June 9, 1910.

Moved by M. W. Bro. C. R. Smith, seconded by M. W. Bro. T. A. Cossmann, that the matter be deferred until next Annual Communication. Passed.

## NOVA SCOTIA FREEMASON'S HOME.

R. W. Bro. John MacAloney, Treasurer, submitted Financial Statement, which on motion of W. Bro. J. H. Winfield, seconded by R. W. Bro. F. S. L. Ford was received and adopted.

### THE TRUSTEES OF THE NOVA SCOTIA FREEMASONS' HOME, WINDSOR, N. S.

In account with John Macaloney, Treasurer, for the year ended June 4, 1910.

GENERAL EXPENSES.

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| June 7. | To J. C. Gass, expenses as trustee.....$ | 8.05 |
| | Thompson & Adams, Premium..... | 30.00 |
| July 9. | J. B. Merrill, Accounts..... | 320.64 |
| Aug. 20. | J. B. Merrill, Accounts ..... | 99.13 |
| | J. B. Merrill, Advance..... | 100.00 |
| | Curry Bros., Meats, etc..... | 6.27 |
| | J. W. Dodge & Son, groceries..... | 41.05 |
| | Murphy & Demont, Groceries..... | 20.55 |
| | F. A. Cochran, 2 Mos. wages..... | 40.00 |
| | Town of Windsor, Water Rates..... | 20.00 |
| | J. H. Smith & Co., Coal..... | 37.71 |
| Sept. 10. | G. P. Clark, Painting..... | 23.71 |
| | J. W. Dodge & Son, Groceries..... | 14.59 |
| | Murphy & Demont, Groceries..... | 32.21 |
| | J. B. Merrill, Accounts and Advance.... | 139.39 |
| Nov. 6. | J. B. Merrill, Accounts ..... | 85.27 |
| | N. S. Telephone Co., Rent..... | 4.13 |
| | Windsor Electric Light Co., Lights.... | 13.80 |

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| Nov. 6. | C. H. Vaughn, Meat | 11.06 | |
| | J. W. Dodge & Son, Groceries | 22.92 | |
| | Murphy & Demont, Groceries | 13.98 | |
| | T. Mowbray, Accounts | 181.53 | |
| Dec. 27. | J. W. Dodge & Sons, Groceries | 72.34 | |
| | J. W. Dodge & Sons, Groceries | 49.20 | |
| | H. P. Murphy, Plumbing | 34.58 | |
| | G. D. Geldert, Dry Goods | 41.32 | |
| | Murphy & Demont, Groceries | 58.36 | |
| | Wentworth Stores, Explosives | 10.30 | |
| 1910. | | | |
| Jan. 28. | W. H. Curry Co., Limited, Lumber | 85.45 | |
| | H. P. Murphy, Plumbing | 34.31 | |
| | W. H. Curry Co., Ltd., Building Material | 84.67 | |
| | Murphy & Demont, Groceries | 37.62 | |
| | J. B. Merrill, Accounts and Advance | 241.91 | |
| | C. W. Artz, Printing | 9.50 | |
| | Blackadar Bros., Advertising | 22.00 | |
| | Windsor Band, Opening Home | 25.00 | |
| | J. E. Webster, for loss catering | 48.00 | |
| Feb. 10. | J. B. Merrill, Accounts | 92.51 | |
| Mar. 4. | J. B. Merrill, Accounts and Advance | 122.50 | |
| Apr. 18. | T. Mowbray, Expenses as trustee | 33.94 | |
| | J. B. Merrill, Accounts and Advance | 173.82 | |
| May 27. | J. B. Merrill, Accounts and Advances | 564.30 | |
| 30. | J. Macaloney, Expenses as trustee | 8.05 | |
| | J. B. Oakes, Expenses as trustee | 13.35 | |
| | T. Mowbray, Expenses as trustee | 6.40 | |
| | C. E. Putner, Expenses as trustee | 14.65 | |
| | L. Archibald, Expenses as trustee | 15.75 | |
| | | | $3,165.82 |

CAPITAL ACCOUNT.

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| July 12. | J. B. Paulin, Marsh | 2,200.00 |
| | Balance | 2,221.18 |
| | | $7,587.00 |

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| 1909. | | | |
| | Balance | | $ 264.73 |
| July 1. | By Interest S. B. | $ 6.27 | |
| July 12. | Cash, J. C. Mackintosh | 2,000.00 | |
| | Interest, J. C. Mackintosh | 375.00 | |

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| Oct. 27. | Cash, Donation Grand Chapter..... | 100.00 | |
| Nov. 17. | Cash, J. C. Mackintosh..... | 1,500.00 | |
| 1910. | | | |
| Jan. 2. | Interest, J. C. Mackintosh..... | 237.80 | |
| Apr. 8. | Refund, J. B. Merrill..... | 13.98 | |
| May 1. | Cash, Grand Secretary..... | 120.90 | |
| | Grand Lodge per capita..... | 2,965.00 | |
| | Interest, S. B..... ..... ..... | 3.32 | |
| | | | $7,322.27 |
| | | | $7,587.00 |
| | Balance in Saving Bank after proivding for outstanding cheques ..... ..... ..... ..... | | 2,221.18 |

JOHN MACALONEY,
Treasurer N. S. Freemasons' Home.

Halifax, June 4, 1910.
Audited.

STATEMENT OF FUNDS ON DEPOSIT WITH J. C. MACKINTOSH & COMPANY.

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| 1909. | | | |
| June 8. | Balance ..... ..... ..... ..... | | $15,000.00 |
| July 12. | By Cash ..... | $2,000.00 | |
| Nov. 17. | Cash ..... ..... ..... ..... | 1,500.00 | |
| | | | 3,500.00 |
| | | | $11,500.00 |
| 1910. | | | |
| Jan. 4. | To Balance ..... ..... ..... | | $11,500.00 |
| | Amount Savings Bank ..... | | 2,221.18 |
| | Balance on hand ..... | | $13,721.18 |

W. Bro. Rev. J. B. Merrill, Superintendent, submitted and read his report, which on motion of W. Bro. J. H. Winfield, seconded by R. W. F. S. L. Ford was received and adopted.

To the Trustees of the Nova Scotia Freemason' Home:

Worshipful Sirs:—

Permit me, in this my first Annual Report, my previous report being for part of a year only, and oral at that, to give a brief recapitulation of what has been done at the Home since I entered upon my work as Superintendent, Sept. 1st, 1908. Strictly speaking I began as Superintendent, Feb. 1st, 1909, but was acting Supt. and overseer under special contract until that date. The following improvements, which had been begun, were completed. I name them in order, with the approximate cost of each, not because you need information, but that the Brethren of the Order throughout the jurisdiction may know what is being done to increase the effectiveness and value of their property: First, connection was made with the town system and water brought a distance of nearly half a mile, supplying both house and barns. Cost about $750. Electric lights were installed costing $210. Electric Bells, $50. Plumbing, $425; heating, $1,000. Concreting basement and other mason work, $150. Painting, Whitening and Papering, $300. Ditching, draining, fencing, building cesspool, and material for the same, $600. Several small buildings moved to suitable locations, one of them containing two rooms and a large closet, raised and underpinned with brick, as an annex to the main house, $100. Carpentering and Lumber cost some $200. In addition to the above, the first four months saw about five acres put under the plow, one half acre seeded down to grass, farming tools, stock, roots for stock and vegetables for the house bought at an expense of about $260. In December, the various Lodges, led by St. Andrew's, No. 1, Halifax, began the work of furnishing the House, and through their generous donations and those of certain individuals, the Home is now well furnished, with only one or two minor exceptions, so that we can safely say that in furnishing and appointments it is on a par with the best hotels in the Province. I should estimate the value of furniture and fittings somewhere in the vicinity of $2,000.

In January, 1909, we built and filled an ice house with sufficient ice for our summer needs; cost about $25. Between January and June added stock, poultry, farming utensils, seed, etc., to the amount of $300.

April 15.—We obtained the loan of a pair of heavy horses for the farmwork, from the Parrsboro Lumber Co., and purchased for them oats and other feed to the amount of $100. April 20—We hired an

additional man on the farm for the season at $20 per month and board. In May we received and set out a donation of forty thrifty young apple trees,, from our present Grand Master, M. W. Bro. W. M. Black, and also in addition to our other farming operations put out a plantation of eleven hundred strawberry plants. In June we acquired a block of nineteen acres of dyke land adjoining our upland at an expense of $2,200, a mere bagatelle compared with its worth to the place. In July, beside commencing haying, we rebuilt the old drive-away and made fifty rods of new, ninety in all, thus surrounding the lawn and house, graded around the house, filled in two or three old pits and removed several unsightly stumps, costing in all about $90. We also purchased a cow and calf for $45. In August, we finished haying, cutting, as near as we could estimate, twenty-five tons, worth $250; procured and erected a flagstaff at an expense of $20, finished off the two rooms in the Annex, $25; built a poultry house and a yard worth $75-$100; harvested oats worth $12-$15, and made ready for the official opening, the 25th. In September, we further improved the buildings by raising the stock-barn about fifteen inches, replacing the blocking which was decaying and falling down, with a solid concrete wall and putting in a root-cellar capable of holding 2,000 bushels. This adds at least $300 to the value. In October, we completed our harvesting, putting in ten hundred and fifty bushels of roots for stock, worth at the same price we paid at auction the year before, $225-$240; also twenty barrels No. 1 apples, which netted over $40, and as many more No. 2 and No. 3, which we stored for home consumption, besides a cartload or two of refuse and cider apples, which were fed to the stock.

Of garden truck we raised all we could use through the Summer and Fall, besides selling sufficient to pay for all the garden seed bought, and nearly, if not quite all, the fertilizer used on the garden. We raised all the potatoes, turnips, beets, carrots, parsnips, squash, pumpkins, etc, required in the Home till new vegetables come again. October 20.—Our second hand closed his season's work, our big horses went back to their winter's work, and Bro. John W. Dodge loaned us a pair for six weeks. In our spare time during the rest of October and the first part of November, we had been at work on two buildings standing in the rear of the main house, one of which contained three partly finished rooms. These we raised, moved underpinned and connected by a porch, bringing in the water and

finishing off the rooms making a small but fairly comfortable tenement for the Winter. Into this, Mr. C. W. Beach, our man of all work, whom I found here when I came and who has worked for us ever since, but who labored under the disadvantage of living more than half a mile away, moved on Nov. 24. A couple of sleeping rooms upstairs are needed which can be furnished so that the whole expense added to what has already been incurred need not exced $125. This I considr a good investment as it will produce an annual rental of $50. One other improvement was the bricking in of a fruit and vegetable room on the cold side of the basement under the large house. The last of November a party leaving Falmouth for N. Y. left with us their family cow, giving us an option on her in case they did not return in the Spring. They have recently informed us they will not return this season, and as she has proved, since freshening, a heavy milker, we have decided to keep her at the price named, $40. Dec. 4, in response to numerous urgent calls for butter we purchased another cow, paying $50 for her. She has proved a good investment, having already paid for herself in butter produced. And here let me say, we have sold butter enough to pay for all the cows we have bought, besides having all the milk, cream and butter we needed ourselves, and in addition have reared five calves on the skim-milk, as well as having a large quantity for our hogs and hens. Two of the calves were killed for veal at five and six weeks old respectively, and the other two are nice promising yearling heifers, worth from $12 to $20 a piece. This year we have four calves, two of them pure-bred heifers having the making of valuable cows, and two steers, one of which we propose to kill for veal in a week or two, and the other to keep till after Christmas for winter beef. In the Spring we slaughtered a hog weighing 250 and in Dec. another weighing 310 pounds. The lard, hams and shoulders of these were worth at retail market prices more than both hogs had cost, thus leaving the fresh and salt pork to the good. Between fifty and sixty fowls and three valuable brood-sows, all of our own raising, completed the list of live stock. During the winter three movable styes, eight by ten were built, worth $15 to $20 each, and in Feb. twenty-three young pigs were added to our stock. Fifteen of these were sold, netting $45. The remaining eight are thriftily growing, and we hope in the next four or five months to realize anywhere from $75 to $150 from seven of them, besides another lot of pigs for the Fall market from the old brood-sows. The cow purchased in July proving a failure as a dairy cow and being somewhat advanced in years, we

fatted and sold for beef, putting the proceeds into a young cow and calf which the Supt. had bought at a bargain in the Spring and held thinking he might advantage the Home by so doing. Four lambs were also bought in the Fall and occasionally one killed, furnishing a supply for the table at a minimum price. The work of the farm has not been allowed to intrude upon that of the Home any more than was absolutely necessary, for the labor incurred in keeping the Home up to the high standard required to correspond with the furnishing and so forth, is no sinecure, and the Matron's task no small one. All the work in the house was done by the Matron without the aid of a regular maid up to Sept. last, her only help in that line being a scrub woman, one, or in a few instances, two days, in a week, excepting during July and Aug., when her place was taken by an untrained girl of sixteen. During the Matron's vacation, which immediately followed the Official Opening, and a week or two before and after, a daughter of Bro. Higby gave her assistance for her board for the sake of being with her parents. From Sept. 20 to Dec. 14, and again from the last of Jan. to Mar. 7, a maid was employed at $2 per week, and the Waugh girl, who came Sept. 9, to whom reference is made in another place, and who also went away March 7, received $10, for labor performed from the time the maid went on her vacation in Dec. till she left the Home. Since that date our adopted daughter has given up attending school and been her mother's helper, receiving maid's wages. The Parrsboro Lumber Co. have again loaned us a pair of horses for the Summer, and we have spent $25 for grain, etc., on their account. We have known for several months that the steps at the front entrance, which were both unsightly and dangerous through decay, must be replaced. This we have done, with the addition of twenty feet of walk between them and the front door, all in solid concrete (cost about $33), thus making a very substantial and attractive approach to the House. Other improvements are needed in the interest of economy and profit in running the place, but not as much need be spent the coming year as has been the last, along that line.

My report would be incomplete if I fail to mention the supply of papers, periodicals, etc., for our reading room. "The Chronicle," Halifax; "The Star" and "The Witness," Montreal, and through the kindness of Hon. T. B. Flint, Clerk of the House, the "St. John Globe" for about half the year, are daily visitors. "The Pictou Advocate," "The Free Lance," "The Eastern Chronicle," "The Standard," "The Western Chronicle," Kentville, all through whose kindness I

know not, and "The Tribune," Windsor, through the kindness of Mrs. P. M. Fielding, the publisher, are found on our table. Hon. T. B. Flint also sends us frequently bundles of maggazines, Canadian and American, and some unknown friend does the same with several English publications. R. W. Bro. Charles Masters, of St. John, also sent us a box containing a year's volume of two or three magazines, and about forty of the popular novels of the day. We have also received two or three donations of pictures, some of which are already hung upon the walls, and others will be later.

## INMATES.

In closing I wish to say a word concerning the inmates. On Feb. 10, 1909, Bro. Isaac Walters, of Royal Sussex Lodge, No. 6, Halifax, became the first member of our Home family. He is still with us, a highly esteemed and very useful member. Feb. 18 W. Bro. Thos. S. Lownds, of St. Andrew's Lodge, No. 1, Halifax, joined us. He was and is the honored patriarch of the family. A sudden illness attacking him the 16th of last month and confining him to his bed for ten days, made us quite anxious for him, but he is now convalescent and in a fair way to recover. On March 1, 1909, Bro. John W. Higby, of Scotia Lodge, No. 31, Yarmouth, and his wife became members of the Home. He was in feeble health, suffering from "Locomotor Ataxia," and continued to fail until the 28th Oct. when he passed with his finished work to be tried by the Supreme Architect above. His widow accompanied his remains to Yarmouth, where they were taken charge of and accorded Masonic burial by Scotia Lodge. She has since gone to live with her daughter, Mrs. Chas. Beveridge, in East Boston, Mass. Sept. 9, Mrs. Mary A. Waugh, widow of the late Geo. Waugh, of St. Mark's Lodge, No. 38, Halifax, and her daughter were received. The mother has been suffering from an affection of the eyes for some fifteen years and is nearly blind. The daughter was to assist her mother and make herself useful about the Home, receiving, therefor, such compensation as was thought sufficient for the labor performed. March 7 she found a situation in the home of a member of Welsford Lodge. From the middle of February to the first of May, Mrs. Waugh was under the doctor's care receiving medical treatment and three or more weeks of the time confined to her room, but is nearly, if not quite, in her usual health now. March 31st, 1910, Mrs. Mary Gentle, widow of Bro. Robert Gentle, of Royal Albert

Lodge, No. 19, North Sydney came as our latest addition. Gentle in name and in breeding her coming has been a benediction. These mothers when able, have assisted about the housework, mending, and so forth, but the extra work caused by sickness, except in the case of Mrs. Gentle, has nearly, if not entirely, counterbalanced the services rendered. The number of inmates is not as large as we had expected. More could have been taken care of without any appreciable increase in expense, barring sickness, yet the Order is to be congratulated if there are not more of the class for whom the Home was designed, who are needing the comforts it has to offer.

Respectfully Submitted,

J. B. MERRILL, Supterintendent.

## REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON CONSTITUTION AND REGULATIONS.

R. W. Bro. W. M. Christie. submitted report, which on motion of R. W. Bro. J. R. MacDonald, seconded by W. Bro. J. Glen Grant, was received and adopted.

To the Worshipful the Grand Lodge of A. F. & A. M., Nova Scotia:

Your Committee on Constitution and Regulations to whom was referred the official decisions of the M. W. Grand Master, beg leave to report that they have read over the same and agree with the way the G. M. has dealt with them. Your Committee beg leave to refer to the decisions made by M. W. G. M. Smith, in his address in 1909, and the report of the Committee received.

With reference to the question asked by Keith Lodge, No. 16, your Committee are of the opinion that unless a ruling is known by the incoming G. M. thereon, no declaration is necessary.

All of which is respectfully submitted,

J. M. LAWSON,
W. M. CHRISTIE.

# REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON GRAND MASTER'S ADDRESS.

M. W. Bro. Chas. R. Smith submitted report, which on motion of R. W. Bro. A. J. Wolff, seconded by R. W. Bro. J. R. MacDonald, was received and adopted.

To the M. W. the Grand Lodge, A. F. & A. M. of Nova Scotia:

The Committee to whom was referred all of the address of the Grand Master, except that portion relating to official decisions, report as follows:

It is a source of congratulation to the Grand Lodge, as it must be to the Grand Master, that during the year he was enabled to visit every Lodge in the jurisdiction and is able to report the Craft in such a healthy condition. While these visitations necessarily took much of the time of the Grand Master the natural benefits accruing therefrom will be a full recompense, and at the same time is evidence of the zeal of the present head of the Craft in this jurisdiction.

We note that the usual number of dispensations has been asked for and granted, and inasmuch as one of the teachings of our Fraternity is a belief in and respect for the Great Architect, your Committee fully concur in and approve of his granting dispensations for the subordinate Lodges, as such, attending divine services. At the same time it is a matter of regret that so many dispensations are asked for conferring the third degree within the time limit, and for installing officers at times other than that provided for by the Constitution. So far as the time limit is concerned, your Committee wish to place themselves on record, and trust Grand Lodge will place itself on record against a railroad process of making Masons. It is not quantity but quality we are after and, as a rule, quality will wait the legitimate period.

As to uniformity of work, while every member of the Fraternity would naturally like to see identically the same work in every Lodge in the jurisdiction, still your Committee believes that while in some minor details the work may differ in all the grand essentials it is the same. And while fully appreciating all the M. W. the Grand Master

has said, and said so well, on this subject, your Committee does not believe the time is opportune to adopt any of the suggestions thrown out. By and by, no doubt, Grand Lodge will be in a position to engage a paid Lecturer who can and will visit every Lodge and in the meantime we are fairly convinced that the brethren, year by year, are doing better Masonic work than ever heretofore.

Your Committee heartily concur in the recommendation of the Grand Master conferring the Past Rank on Right Worshipful Brethren Thompson, District Deputy No. 1; Oakes, No. 2, and Read, No. 3, and have no doubt Grand Lodge will approve.

Referring to the amalgamation of Eldorado, No. 32, Port Hilford, and Queens, No. 34, Sherbrooke, your Committee while regretting that circumstances over which the Brethren of Eldorado have no control, caused this step to be taken, consider that they acted in the fairest spirit and adopted the wisest course. May we express the hope that at some future date, and when the horizon brightens, the good brethren of Eldorado may be in a position to ask for a return of their charter, which we doubt not will be gladly returned.

Reference is made in the Grand Master's address to the "Corner Lot at Halifax," but as this matter will be fully dealt with at the present communication your Committee does not deem it necessary to deal with the matter at any length.

The Grand Master, notwithstanding a busy year, a year which must be full of beneficial results, he had time to lay a number of corner stones and attend dedicatory ceremonies of new Lodges. This speaks progress on behalf of the Craft in this jurisdiction and a new awakening to great possibilities. He has also drawn the attention of Grand Lodge to past Rank jewels, and he also sounded a note of warning in reference to clandestine lodges, and with all the Grand Master has said on these important subjects your Committee heartily concur and commend them to the careful attention and consideration of the brethren of the subordinate lodges.

Your Committee while sympathizing with the Lodges of this as well as other jurisdictions on the many deaths which have occurred during the year, fully concur in all the Grand Master has so feelingly said and approves of his recommendation as to memorial pages being inscribed in memory of the "Fraternal Dead."

Fitting reference has been made in the Grand Master's address to the death of the late King Edward VII, so well called the Peacemaker, as well as "Protector of the Craft." Your Committee thoroughly concur in the action taken by the Grand Master on this sad occasion and while deploring the loss of so good, so kind and so able a King and brother as King Edward VII, as loyal Masons extend their heartiest congratulations to his successor, George V, and repeat with our Grand Master, "God Save the King."

The brethren here assembled having had an opportunity of seeing our beautiful "Nova Scotia Freemasons' Home" today, and having heard the report of the Trustees, we are convinced they will feel prouder of this, their grand, charitable institution, than they ever did before. Certainly it is an institution of which every Mason in the jurisdiction can, and should be proud, and when the present generation has passed away the names of the brethren who assisted in founding the Home and who from time to time and from year to year assist in the maintenance will be most gratefully remembered and many blessings will follow them.

Your Committee cannot close this report without regretting the shortness of the time to do justice to the Grand Master's address. It is full of useful information and shows work well and faithfully performed by a capable and zealous official, one whose evident maxim is "Whatever is worth doing at all, is worth doing well."

All of which is respectfully submitted,

CHAS. R. SMITH,
T. A. COSSMANN,
THOS. TRENAMAN,
Committee on Grand Master's Address.

Wolfville, N. S., June 9th, 1910.

## REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON REVISION OF CONSTITUTION.

This report was again taken up and its consideration continued clause by clause, and, with some alterations, passed with the exception of Chapter XV relating to subordinate

Lodges, the consideration of which was, upon motion of R. W. Bro. J. C. Jones, seconded by R. W. Bro. Vickery deferred until next Annual Communication.

## PRINTING OF CONSTITUTION.

Moved by R. W. Bro. J. Murray Lawson, seconded by R. W. Bro. J. R. MacDonald, that, that part of the revised Constitution which had the approval of Grand Lodge be not printed or published until Chapter XV shall have been revised and approved by Grand Lodge.

## MASONIC REALTY COMPANY.

W. Bro. J. H. Winfield, President of above named Company fully explained its object, and moved the following Resolution which was seconded by R. W. Bro. M. McF. Hall, and adopted.

"That this Grand Lodge heartily approves of the project to erect a Masonic Temple on the vacant lot corner of Barrington and Salter Streets, the site of the original Masonic Hall (recently acquired by said Company) and that the said Company be given a ninety-nine years lease of the strip of land owned by Grand Lodge on the west side of the present Masonic Hall at a rental of one dollar per annum."

Moved by W. Bro. J. H. Winfield, seconded by W. Bro. W. Lester Kane, and adopted.

That a Committee of Grand Lodge be appointed to meet the Directors of the Masonic Realty Company for consultation and report to Grand Lodge, as to whether it would

be desirable for Grand Lodge to accept the offer of the Masonic Realty Company to turn over the said corner lot at cost, and Grand Lodge to assume the responsibility of erecting a new building thereon, or Grand Lodge to sell to the Masonic Realty Co. the present Masonic Building, and if so, at what price, or to permit the Masonic Realty Co. to cut openings to connect with the proposed new building and arrange for a joint occupany of both buildings.

## THANKS.

Moved by R. W. Bro. Welsford D. MacKay, That the thanks of this Grand Lodge be tendered to R. W. Bro. J. C. Jones and W. Bro. J. C. Gass, for the valuable assistance which they have rendered the Grand Secretary in the discharge of his duty, during this and several former Annual Communications, this was seconded by R. W. Bro. C. E. Puttner, and passed unanimously.

The M. W. the Grand Master in appropriate terms conveyed such thanks, to which Brethren Jones and Gass made suitable replies.

## PAST RANK CONFERRED.

Moved by M. W. Bro. Chas. R. Smith, seconded by R. W. Bro. Jas. R. MacDonald, That in accordance with the recommendation of the Grand Master, the Rank of Past District Deputy Grand Master be now conferred upon

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| R. W. Bro. Donald Alex. Thompson, | District No. 1. |
| R. W. Bro. Ingram B. Oakes, | District No. 2. |
| R. W. Bro. Wayland E. Read, | District No. 3. |

Passed unanimously.

The M. W. the Grand Master in a pleasing manner conferred such Past Rank. Those R. W. Brethren in appropriate terms thanked the Grand Master and Grand Lodge for the honour conferred upon them.

Moved by M. W. Bro. T. A. Cossmann, That photographs of the Masonic Home be framed and sent to each Lodge in the jurisdiction with instructions to have them hung up in a conspicuous place in the Lodge Rooms. This was seconded by R. W. Bro. W. D. MacKay, and passed unanimously.

Grand Lodge was called from Labor to Refreshment at 6.30 o'clock to meet again at eight o'clock.

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EVENING SESSION.—Thursday, June 9th, 1910.

Grand Lodge resumed Labor at eight o'clock.

M. W. Bro. W. M. Black, Grand Master, presiding.

Moved by R. W. Bro. J. C. Jones, seconded by R. W. Bro. J. Murray Lawson, That the Grand Treasurer be authorized to defray the expenses of this Communication.

Moved by W. Bro. J. C. Gass, seconded by R. W. Bro. J. R. MacDonald, That the next Annual Communication of Grand Lodge shall be held in the City of Halifax. Passed.

Moved by W. Bro. J. H. Winfield, seconded by W. Bro. J. C. Gass, That the Trustees of the Nova Scotia Freemason's Home be empowered to loan to the Masonic Realty Co. such sum of money as they may deem advisable, such loan to be secured by mortgage on corner lot. Passed.

The Grand Secretary was directed to convey by telegram to M. W. Bro. William F. MacCoy, P. G. Master, and R. W. Bro. Rev. Henry D. deBlois, Permanent Grand Chaplain, the regret of Grand Lodge at their enforced absence, through illness, from this Communication.

## ANNUAL PROCEEDINGS.

Moved by R. W. Bro. R. F. Merlin, seconded by W. Bro. W. L. Kane, That the Grand Secretary be authorized to have published a sufficient number of copies of the Proceedings of Grand Lodge for the past Masonic year, and have them distributed in the usual manner. Passed.

## ELECTION OF OFFICERS.

The election of Officers was then proceeded with, resulting as follows:

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| M. W. Bro. | WILLIAM MARSHALL BLACK, 2 | Grand Master | *Wolfville.* |
| R. W. " | ROBERT FREDERICK MERLIN, 1 | Deputy Grand Master | *Halifax.* |
| R. W. " | WELSFORD D. MACKAY, 19 | Senior G. Warden | *North Sydney.* |
| R. W. " | WILLIAM HENRY SOPER, 17 | Junior Grand Warden | *Halifax.* |
| R. W. " | JOHN MacALONEY, 6 | Grand Treasurer | " |
| R. W. " | THOMAS MOWBRAY, 3 | Grand Secretary | " |
| R. W. " | JOHN C GASS, 6 | Grand Lecturer | " |
| R. W. " | REV FREDERICK M. YOUNG, 67 | Grand Chaplain | *Parrsboro.* |
| V. W. " | LOUIS W. SLEEP, 20 | Senior Grand Deacon | *Wolfville.* |
| V. W. " | FREDERICK B. DAY, M. D., 77 | Junior Grand Deacon | *Thorburn.* |
| V. W. " | GEORGE W. CONWAY, 23 | Grand S. of Works | *Stellarton.* |
| V. W. " | JOHN J. KINLEY, 4 | Grand D. of Ceremonies | *Lunenburg.* |
| V. W. " | HENRY C. LESLIE, 42 | Grand Sword Bearer | *Sheet Harbor.* |
| V. W. " | THOS. W. PUBLICOVER, 7 | Grand Organist | *Sydney.* |
| V. W. " | RUFUS C. FORD, 29 | Grand Pursuivant | *Milton.* |
| V. W. " | JAMES CRAIGIE, 7 | Grand Steward | *Sydney.* |
| V. W. " | WILLIAM DUNSMORE, 75 | " | *Oxford.* |
| V. W. " | ROBERT A. BRUCE, 30 | " | *Shelburne.* |
| V. W. " | WILLIAM C. NICKERSON, 2 | " | *Halifax.* |
| V. W. " | JOHN R. McAULAY, 36 | " | *Port Morien.* |
| V. W. " | WILLIAM H. SMITH, 16 | " | *Bear River.* |
| V. W. " | JOHN EDWARD WEBSTER, 38 | Grand Tyler | *Halifax.* |

### PERMANENT GRAND CHAPLAIN.

R. W. Bro. REV. HENRY D. DeBLOIS, M.A., 41. ..... *Annapolis.*

### TRUSTEES GRAND LODGE BENEVOLENT FUND.

(Permanent)

R. W. Bro. ALEXANDER STEPHEN, 3 M. W. Bro. THOS. TRENAMAN, M.D.

## TRUSTEES OF FREEMASONS' HALL.

Elected by City and Dartmouth Lodges and confirmed by Grand Lodge.

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| Frank D. Hillis | St. Andrew's | Lodge, | No. | 1 |
| John B. Douglas | St. John's | " | " | 2 |
| Charles E Puttner | Virgin | " | " | 3 |
| Harding P. Bezanson | Royal Sussex | " | " | 4 |
| John D. Grant | Burns | " | " | 10 |
| Albert Downey | Acadia | " | " | 14 |
| J. Fred Edwards | Athole | " | " | 15 |
| William H. Soper | Keith | " | " | 17 |
| James R. Johnston | Union | " | " | 18 |
| M. McFarlane Hall | Lodge of St. Mark | " | " | 38 |
| Frank W. Russell | Eastern Star | " | " | 57 |

### MEMBERS EX-OFFICIO.

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|---|---|
| W. Marshall Black | Grand Master. |
| R. Fred Merlin | Deputy Grand Master. |
| John MacAloney | Grand Treasurer. |
| Thomas Mowbray | Grand Secretary. |

## INSTALLATION OF OFFICERS.

The officers for the ensuing year were installed by M. W. Bro. Charles R. Smith, assisted by M. W. Bro. T. A. Cossmann, as presenting officer.

## GRAND REPRESENTATIVES.

The Grand Representatives of other Jurisdictions, present, viz :

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| Alberta | R. W. Bro. | C. I. F. Whitney | Lunenburg. |
| British Columbia | " " | Saml. J. Waddell | Truro . |
| Canada (Ontario) | " " | Thomas Mowbray | Halifax. |
| Connecticut | M. W. " | Thos. Trenaman, M.D. | " |
| Delaware | R. W. " | J. Murray Lawson | Yarmouth. |
| Egypt | " " | John Hay | Truro. |
| Greece | " " | Augustus J. Wolff | Lunenburg. |
| Idaho | " " | Angus J. Morrison | Middleton. |
| Indiana | W. " | Robie McLeod | Liverpool. |
| New Brunswick | " " | W. Lester Kane | Halifax. |
| New South Wales | M. W. " | Hon. William Ross | " |
| Porto Rico | R. W. " | M. McFarlane Hall | " |
| Quebec | " " | Chas. E. Puttner, Ph.D. | " |
| Queensland | R. W. " | Chas. R. Smith, K.C. | Amherst. |
| South Carolina | R W. " | James R. McDonald | Sherbrooke. |
| South Australia | " " | Alfred D. Payzant | Canning. |
| Vermont | M. W. " | L. B. Archibald | Truro. |
| Virgina | R. W. " | W. Medford Christie | Windsor. |
| Western Virgina | " " | Abner J. McKenna | Wolfville. |

Were placed in front of the Altar, when the Grand Master gave expression to the pleasure which their presence at this Communication gave him, and he desired that they would convey to their respective Grand Lodges the Fraternal Greetings of this Grand Lodge, and express the hope that the cordial relations which have hitherto existed and now exist may long be continued.

Several Grand Representatives thanked the M. W. the Grand Master and Grand Lodge for the hearty reception accorded them.

There being no further business to bring before Grand Lodge, the National Anthem was sung and the usual Ceremonies performed and with solemn prayer by the Grand Chaplain, the Most Worshipful the Grand Lodge of Ancient Free and Accepted Masons of Nova Scotia was closed in Ample Form at midnight, to meet again in Annual Communication in Freemasons' Hall, in the City of Halifax, on the second Wednesday in June, 1911, at ten o'clock in the forenoon.

THOMAS MOWBRAY,
*Grand Secretary.*

The Grand Master subsequently made the following appointments:

## DISTRICT DEPUTY GRAND MASTERS.

| | | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| No. 1. | R. W. Bro. | William J. Dickson, 15, | D. D. G. Master | ..... | *Halifax.* |
| " 2. | " " | Alfred D. Payzant, 28, | " " | ..... | *Canning.* |
| " 3. | " " | William Cecil Harris, M.D., 65 | " " | ..... | *Brighton.* |
| " 4. | " " | Robert S. Mackay, 31, | " " | ..... | *Yarmouth.* |
| " 5. | " " | W. H. MacDonald, M.D., 81 | " " | ..... | *Rose Bay.* |
| " 6. | " " | John W. Logan, 43, | " " | ..... | *Truro.* |
| " 7. | " " | Samuel Eastwood, 5, | " " | ..... | *New Glasgow.* |
| " 8. | " " | William A. Morgan, 79, | " " | ..... | *Canso.* |
| " 9. | " " | Martin B. Dickenson, 84, | " " | ..... | *Sydney.* |

## STANDING COMMITTEES.

*Credentials.*

James C. Jones, 1 J. C. Gass, 6 John B. Coleman, 51

*Charity.*

R. F. Merlin, 1, D. G. M. John MacAloney, 6, G. T.
Thomas Mowbray, G. Secty.

*Grievances and Appeal.*

T. Trenaman, M. D., 1 John Hay, 43 Peter Macfarlane, 5

*Constitution and Regulations.*

W. M. Christie, K. C., 26 J. M. Lawson, 31 J. R. Bennett, 10

*Finance and Audit.*

W. H. Wetherby, 3 W. L. Brown, 2

*Foreign Correspondence.*

The Grand Secretary.

*Special Committee on Revision of Constitution.*

Chas. R. Smith, K.C., 8 W. M. Christie, K.C., 26
J. R. Bennett, 10 and Thos. Mowbray, 3, G. Secty.

*Trustees of Freemasons' Home.*

M. W. Bro. C. R. Smith, K.C., P. G. M., *Hon. Chairman*
M. W. Bro. W. M. Black, 2, G. Master, *Chairman*, Wolfville
R. W. Bro. John MacAloney, 6, G. Treas., *Treasurer*, Halifax
R. W. Bro. Thos. Mowbray, 3, G. Secty., *Secretary*, Halifax
R. W. Bro. W. M. Christie, K. C., 26, Windsor, 1 year
M. W. Bro. L. B. Archibald, 43, Truro, 1 year
R. W. Bro. C. E. Puttner, Ph. D., 3, Halifax, 1 year
R. W. Bro. Ingram B. Oakes, 20, Wolfville, 2 years
R. W. Bro. Henry B. Webster, M. D., 58, Kentville, 2 years
R. W. Bro. Frederick Curry, 26, Windsor, 2 years

*Special Committee to Confer with Masonic Realty Company Re Corner Lot.*

L. B. Archibald, 43 ..... Truro
W. M. Christie, K. C., 27 ..... Windsor
Thomas Mowbray, 3 ..... Halifax
John MacAloney, 6 ..... "
John C. Gass, 6 ..... "

# RETURNS

OF THE

# SUBORDINATE LODGES,

UNDER THE JURISDICTION OF THE

## Grand Lodge of Nova Scotia,

FOR THE YEAR ENDING MARCH 31ST, A. D. 1910, A. L. 5910.

Showing former Registry, with dates of Original Formation and Charter.

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### ST. ANDREW'S LODGE, No. 1

HALIFAX.

Formerly No. 118, R. E. Charter dated March 20th, 1768.
Meets on the First Tuesday of each Month.

OFFICERS.

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|---|---|
| SYDNEY P. DUMARESQ....W.M. | LOUIS J. KAYE.....S.D. |
| FRED. C. KAIZER.....J.W. | WILLIAM TAPP .....J.D. |
| GEO. A. BURBIGE.....J.W. | RALPH S. McDONALD.....I.G. |
| T. TRENAMAN, MD., P. M., Treas. | CHARLES A. PRESCOTT.....S.S. |
| WILLIAM CROWE, P. M., Secty | ALBERT C. THEAKSTON....J.S. |

J. EDWARD WEBSTER, Tyler.

PAST MASTERS.

Thomas S Lownds, P G S of W
Thomas Trenaman, M D, P G M
Samuel M Brookfield
William Crowe, P D G M
Benjamin Swenerton, P G S
Albert H Buckley, P D D G M
Henry W Brown, P G S
Robert Fred Merlin, D G M
W Ernest Thompson, P G L
Robert D Taylor
John C Calder
William H Conrod
James C Jones, P D G M
Robert J Wilson
James H Trefry
George H Foster
J Frank Crowe, P S G D
Harry E Mahon
Frank D Hillis
James G Jamieson
John D Gladwin
Marston Guillod, P G S
Richard A. Johnson.
G. Herbert Maxwell.
Thomas I. D. Moffat.

MASTER MASONS.

Ackhurst, John S
Archibald, G. Parker
Archibald, Raymond
Anderson, Howard A
Artz, Godfrey John
Bates, Percy S D
Boardwell, John
Bland, Wilber C
Boreham, Ernest E
Boston, George
Burford, Joseph
Burnyeat, Charles B
Butler, Richard P.
Boutilier, Robert J.
Cabot, William H
Cameron, Hugh W
Calder, Frank H
Carson, James Robt
Collins, Francis Austin
Crowell, Maurice O
Climo, Charles H
Cobb, Andrew R
Cook, George C
Craig, James
Crease, Archibald
Crosby, Henry S
Davidson, Stephen R
Davidson, Wiliam S
Dennis, Wm
Downey, George
Elliott, Fitzroy E
Francis, Thomas H
Fairbanks, James P
Farquharson, Wm D
Forbes, Ralph P
Fisher, William J
Ferris, Thos Gordon
Furneaux, Geo H
Gray, Herbert
Greig, Franklin
Gillis, David C
Gould, Wiliam M
Graham, Thomas D
Hosterman, H E
Hartling, Edward A
Harper, William
Hemeon, Rev. D B
Horton, William T W
Henley, W C
Harkins, Wm S
Hanson, Gerhardt L
Hillis, George B
Hood, John Stanley
Jost, Alfred Smith
Jost, George H
Jost, John H
Johnston, Frank M
Johnston, John
Jubien, F W
Keating, Frank H
Lawson, Rev Geo A
Leslie, John G
Lessel, John F, M D
Libby, Lloyd L
LeDain, Alfred W F
Leavitt, Ronald Fred
Mahon, John C
Mader, Anthony I, MD
Mylius, Louis J
Melvin, A L
Mitchell, Wm E
Major, William A
Melvin, Harry W
Marquand, Walter J
Moore, Gordon C

MASTER MASONS—(Continued).

Moss, Harry J
Morrson, Geo Guy
Medcalfe, John D
Mumford, Fred. O.,
McGregor, James L
McFatridge, John
McHardy, Alexander
Story, Clifford Blake
McNiven, Daniel
Moss, Harry J
McDonald, John L
Macdonald, Ralph Eric
McLarren, Allan H
MacCoy, Wensley B
McLeod, Enos M
McCleave, Arthur R
MacKay, Alexander A
Newman, Oscar
Neal, Richard H
Neal, Charles
Norton, John J
Perry, Wm A
Pickford, Charles S
Porter, Horace A
Power, John U
Pride, Harry M
Quinn, John R
Rolson, J D
Rainnie, Joseph G
Roue, William J
Roper, Henry
Rowland, Edwin Y
Robinson, Geo McK
Robinson Thos. Henry
Ritchie, Stephen G.
Rankine, John, M D
Roy, Fred. M. B.
Read, H H, M D
Reikhoff, C L F
Redden, John K
Roue, John F L
Smith, George M
Smith, Charles W
Shute, Wm R
Smith, Albert M.
Soulis, Perle O
Strothard, Rev James
Scott, Benjamin F
Taylor, Wm B
Taylor, John F
Trivett, Rev Samuel
Theakston, Robert
Theakston, Arthur C.
Turnbull, David R.
Vidito, Isaac Watson
Wilson, William H
Woodill, Robert A
Wood, Berton Justus
Woodroffe, Rev R W
Ward, Harold S
Weldon, Albert T
Webster, John J.
Whelpley, Geo A
Wood, Clifford P
Wood, Howard McA.
Whittingham, Wm
Wright Charley M.

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## ST. JOHN'S LODGE, No. 2.

HALIFAX.

Formerly 161, R. E. Charter signed London, June 30th, 1780.

Meets on the First Monday of each month.

OFFICERS.

WILLIAM C. NICKERSON...W.M.
G. F. S. TOWNSEND.....S.W.
CHARLES B. HILLS.....J.W.
JAMES HALLIDAY, P.M...Treas.
HERBERT ANDREWS, P.M.Secty
WM. PERCY THOMPSON....S.D.
GARNET F. RING.....J.D.
EDWARD L. LYDIARD.....I.G.
LOUIS M. HILLS.....S.S.
JAMES A. MACKAY.....J.S.

J. EDWARD WEBSTER, Tyler.

## PAST MASTERS.

Lt-Genl J W Laurie, P G Master
W H Davis, Past G Master
W F MacCoy, Past G Master
James Haliday, P D G M
George A Taylor
W L Brown
William Patrick, P G S
Herbert Andrews
James A Crooks
Fenwick W Johnston
W. Marshall Black, G. M.
W F Smith, M D
John B Douglas, P G S
William H Huggins
F A R Gow, M D
Charles E. Choat
Donald A. Thompson, D. D. G. M.
Neil L Alexander.
Tho. V. Woolrech.

## MASTER MASONS.

Adams, Frank
Bennett, Oscar H
Burford, Joseph W
Bernham, Winters
Butler, Charles E
Cook, Henry R
Cook, Samuel G
Corkum, Sydney M
Davidson, L Clyde
Dirmer, Edward
Edwards, Harry A
Fogo, Fred Charles
Fraser, Harry E
Forbes, William J
Fader, Henry
Forbes, Charles
Gill, George
Grant, Charles L
Grant, Walter S.
Goudge, Fred S
Herman, Charles T
Ham, Fenwick P
Heisler, Howard E
Hefferman E.
Hills, George Oswald
Hills, Percy A
Johnson, Harry G
McDonald, W B
Moody, Arthur
O'Dwyer, Jeremiah
Partington, G J
Prescott, Arthur R
Rafuse, George U
Roberts, William
Reynolds, Charles R
Scott, Mark J.
Scott, J Newton
Shortt, Alfred
Spencer, Benjamin
Thomas, E. Arthur
VanDyke, Robert E
Vogler, Ernest R
Whiston, Fred
Wilson, S Y
Walker, William H
Young, George W
Woodworth, Brenton C

## VIRGIN LODGE, No. 3.

HALIFAX.

Formerly 396, R. E. Established Feb. 18, 1782. Chartered Oct., 1784.
Meets on the Fourth Monday of each month.

OFFICERS.

JAMES H. WINFIELD.....W.M.
SAMUEL H. LAWRENCE....S.W.
ARNOLD S. WYLDE.....J.W.
A. MILNE FRASER.....Treas.
J. A. C. MOWBRAY, P.M..Secty.
ROBERT MORROW .....S.W.
HARRIS H. BLIGH.....J.W.
FRANK L. STEPHEN.....I.G.
CHARLES L. ALLEN.....S.S.
ERNEST J. M. WILLIAMS....J.S.

J. EDWARD WEBSTER P. M. Tyler.

REV. ROBERT JOHNSON, P. M., Chaplain.

FRED. N. CLARKE, Organist.

PAST MASTERS.

T. Mowbray P. D. G. M. G. Sec'y
C E Putner, P D G M
Alex Stephen, P D G M
W Ross, P Grand Master
Alexander M Scott
A C Hawkins, M D, P G S
Col. A C T Boileau, P D G M
W Lester Kane P G D of C
G W Graham Bonner, P G D
J A C Mowbray, P G D of C
Arthur E Curren
Wm H Wetherby, P G D of C
Gilbert S Troop
Frank A Marr
John E Dicketts
Robt H Humphrey
James Ross MD
James D Ritchie
Rev R H Bullock, D C L, P G C
Charles Archibald, P D D G M
Oliver M Hill
Rev Robert Johnston
Richmond R. Kennedy
Chas H Thomas, M D
Thomas, Chas H, M D
Thomas H G Strachan

MASTER MASONS.

Arthur Wm B
Adams, James
Allen, Samuel J M
Brill, Tobias
Barker, Benjamin
Bennett, Frank W.
Beckwith, W H H, DDS
Burrill, Frederic T
Cabot, Richard
Cochran, Ernest J
Clarke, Douglas R
Clarke, Melvin S
Curtis, Charles G
Cornelius, Julius
Chisholm, J Scott
Crosby, James W
Coombs, Fred S
Campbell, D A, M D

MASTER MASONS—Continued).

Davidson, George A
Dickey, Hugh L, M D
Dodwell, C E W
Donaldson, Hiram B
Elliott, Bernard C
Eagar, Wm H, MD
Forbes, Kenneth N
Gray, W H S, D D S
Gorham, Edward
Gates, Herbert E
Geldert, John M
Hattie, W H, M D
Hebb, Willis E
Johnstone, A D
Jack, Clifford M
Johnson, Peter C
Keith, Alex
Kirkpatrick, E A, M D
Kenney, W Wallace
LeLepine, Robert T
LeViscomte, Wm
Lee, George Stanley
Lithgow, James C
Littler, Nathaniel
MacInnis, W R
McKay, N E, M D
Macdonald, E L
Macdonald, P A, MD
Murray, George W
Myers, S. Maxwell
Noyes, G A (Col R A)
Nugent, Harry P. F.
Pye, Charles E
Potts, Chas H
Rosenberg, H M
Sinclair, G L, M D
Smith, Howard H
Sandall, Harold
Switzer, Fred M
Sandall, John
Smith, Geo DeB
Simmonds, Ralph B
Starr, Charles C
Symons, Walter T
Stor,y Duncan A.
Thompson, Malcolm
Tracey, George
Troop, Rev Geo W H
Thorne, Chas Robson
Vossnach, Emil A
Wardrop, William
Willard, Erle T
Wickwire, Wm N, M D

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## UNITY LODGE, No. 4.

LUNENBURG.

Formerly 399, R. E. Established Mar., 1822. Chartered Mar. 20, 1829
Meets on the First Tuesday of each Month.

OFFICERS.

JOHN J. KINLEY.....W.M.
JAMES S. HOLLAND.....S.W.
P. J. MacLAUGHLIN.....J.W.
GEORGE ABRAM SMITH.Treas.
GEORGE H LOVE.....Secty.
MELBOURNE M. GARDNER..S.D.
ALLAN W. ERNST.....J.D.
HENRY M. ERNST.....I.G.
FRANK A. YOUNG.....S.S.
THOMAS HAMM .....J.S.

ROBERT B. BURNS, Tyler.

REV. THOMAS H. STANLEY, Chaplain.

REV. G. C. WALLIS P. M. Organist.

## PAST MASTERS.

D M Owen, P Dist Dep G M
Daniel J Rudolf, P J G W
A B Coldwell
W A Zwicker
G N C Hawkins
A J Wolff, P D G M
William C Acker
W Norman Zwicker
Peter H Ross, P S G D
James A Hirtle
George A Townshend
Chas I F Whitney, P D D G M
S. W. Oxner, P S G W. P.D.D.G.M.
Richard W Smith
Rev Geo C Wallis, P G C
Wallace E. Knock
James M. Anderson

## MASTER MASONS.

Adams, Wm H
Anderson, Chas A
Arenburg, John T
Arenburg, William
Burrell, Reg. Heber
Backman, Edmund
Backman, Robert A
Byrnes, Chas E
Corkum, John C
Creighton, John H
Corkum, Ellison M
Corkum, Freeman
Dodge, Frederick G
Eisenor, Daniel M
Emeno, Alexander B
Ernst, Allan W
Forbes, A E G
Gaetz, William A
Frame, Rev D A
Geldert, Wallace D
Geldert, James
Geldert, Christian
Hirtle, James A (Capt)
Herman, Thomas S
Hebb, Harvey H
Heckman, Rich
Hirtle, George A
Holland, J Kenneth
Holland, James J.
Hebb, Howard
Heisler, David
Iverson, Christian
Knickle, Alex
Morash, Allan R
Mosher, John W
Millett, Charles C
Miller, Wm
Miller, Arthur B
Miller, Daniel C
Misener, Daniel
Misener, Martin J H
McLean, A K
Naas, James
Powers, Frank
Polley, G A
Rockwell, J C
Rudolf, J Moyle
Silver, C Stannage
Seaboyer, William R
Selig, Albert D
Schurman, Rev S W
Silver, Richard
Smith, Joseph N
Smith, Geo N
Smith, Lewis H
Shupe, William
Smith, Benj C
Smith Wm C
Strum, Alexander P
Thatcher, William J
Walters, John C
Wambolt, Lemuel E
Whynacht, Wm H
Walsh, W J
Young, Albert M
Young, Charles A
Zwicker, Arthur H
Zinck, Thomas
Zinck, J Daniel
Zwicker, E Fenwick
Zinck, Ammon H

## ALBION LODGE, No. 5.

NEW GLASGOW.

Formerly No. 470, R. E. Established October, 1838. Chartered April 3rd, 1840.

Meets on Second Friday of each Month.

OFFICERS.

WILLIAM McLEOD .....W.M.
CALVIN T. BENT .....S.W.
CHARLES McNEIL .....J.W.
JOHN D. McMILLAN P.M. Treas.
PETER MACFARLANE, P.M.. Sec
THOMAS HILL .....S.D
DAVID W. McDONALD.....J.D.
ROBERT J. MUIRHEAD.....I.G.
HARRY B. BLAKELY.....S.S.
ALEXANDER JOHNSON ....J.S.

ROBERT GRAHAM, Tyler.

REV. JAMES A. RAMSAY, Chaplain.

PAST MASTERS.

George A Douglas
Daniel Douglas
John W Church
James Roy .
Robert Douglas
Charles D Boggs
John D McMillan
William A Cameron
James S Fraser
John W Fraser, P D D G M
Robert H Graham
Donald F Fraser, P S G W
D C Fraser, P G M
H T Sutherland, P D G M
Daniel McDermid
J H Cavanagh
J Rodk McLean
James W McIntosh
John J McLeod, P G S
Peter Macfarlane
William Dunbar
Robert Murray
Stewart, T Day
Robert A Stewart
Samuel Eastwood, D D G M
Alex B Gray
Joseph R Murray

## MASTER MASONS.

Agnew, Charles S
Beck, Clarence L
Baillie, Alexander K
Bootle, Job
Betts, William
Bell, Adam C, Jr
Coghill, Daniel A
Church, John D
Cameron, John W
Cameron, Hugh S
Cameron, Ewen M
Chisholm, William D
Crockett, John S
Cruickshanks, Chas E
Cumming, James T
Emerson, C K
Fanjoy, B E
Foote, James W
Fraser, Alexander D
Fraser, Jas Frederick
Fraser, A Stanley
Fraser, Thomas
Fraser, Robert, McG
Fraser, Colin
Fried, Abraham
Fraser, Daniel Carr
Fraser, Henry Robt
Fraser, John James
Fraser, Finlay
Forbes, Duncan
Graham, P McG
Graham, Joseph C
Graham, William C
Graham, John Geo
Grant, John D.
Gray, Alex F.
Grant, J Fisher
Grant, Robert McNeil
Gray, Robert M
Gammon, George
Germain, Wm.
Gordon, William W
Holmes, James
Haggart, James
Humphrey, E Howard
Hunter, John
Irving, George G.
Jackson, Geo S
Jackson, Robert M
Kitchen, Jos
Keith, Sylvanus, M D
Livingstone, Thomas
Matheson, Alister B
Mason, Norman W
Milne, James M.
Mutch, John A
Moriarty, John
Maker, Edwin A
Mealy, George
Muir, John J
McKenzie, George R
McKenzie, S M
McKay, James Hugh
McCulloch, H B
MacInnes, Ronald
McKaracher, Even St L
McDonald, J Ed
McDonald, D Ross
McKay, Hector H, MD
McKay, Howard D
McDonald, J Fred
McDonald, James W
McDonald, Geo E S
McQuarrie, George J.
McKinnon, E. W.
McDonald, Alex C
McDonald, Duncan
McLean, Aubrey H
Nicholson, Archibald
Nash, Reginald C
Orminston, Daniel
Ormiston, Frank W
Oulton, Clifford M
Phinney, Joseph E
Robertson, James H
Reeves, William B
Rettie, James R.
Ross, Robert
Ross, James
Redpath, Henry A
Roy, E. Ross
Rudland, Andrew S.
Stewart, James
Stewart, John K
Stewart, John
Stewart, Joseph
Simpson, Nathaniel P
Stairs, James A.
Skinner, Jas H
Sullivan, John J
Service, George
Sutherland, Rev Geo A
Sutherland, J. W.
Sutherland, Roscoe G
Stiles, William H
Silliker, Daniel
Turner, Samuel N
Wright, F W
Weir, William

## ROYAL SUSSEX, No. 6.

### HALIFAX.

Formerly 479, R. E. Established 1841 Charter, 1842
Meets on the first Thursday of every Month.

### OFFICERS.

HARVEY B. SMITH.....W.M.
LEANDER HARNISH .....S.W.
THOMAS C. MITCHELL ....J.W.
ALBRO MUMFORD P. M..Treas.
JOHN H. BENTLEY, P.M..Secy.
ERNEST H. BLOIS.....S.D.
GEORGE R. BRUSHETT.....J.D.
WARREN GRAY .....I. G.
ROBERT F. WESTHAVER.. S.S.
JOSEPH J. CROFT.....J.S.

REV. GEO. A. CHRISTIE, Chaplain.

J. EDWARD WEBSTER, P .M., Tyler.

GEO. BURGOYNE, P.M., Organist

### PAST MASTERS.

William Holloway, PG W
I Edward Sandford, P G L
A Mumford, P G L
G J Fluck
Philip A Freeman, P G S of W
J H Bentley, P G S
Charles F Longley
E J Hiseler, P G S
Geo Burgoyne, P G O
John MacAloney, P G L., G. T.
Charles W Blethen, P G P
William J DeBlois
Harding P. Bezanson, P G S
Charlie S Barss
Howard E. Kelly
John C. Gass, G L

### MASTER MASONS.

Archibald, Henry A.
Annand, Fred W
Bennett, George W
Butcher, Edward John
Bigney, H B
Brown, Samuel
Christie, Fred W
Cranston, William D
Davidson, James McN
Day, John Walter
DeBlois, Walter S
Drake, W H
Davis, Arthur J
Darrach, Fred W
DeYoung, James W
Evans, Nathaniel
Evans, Nathaniel, Jr
Ewing, David Hutton
Evans, Charles
Everett, Thomas E
Fraser, Wallace H
Fox, Neil
Frye, Abraham
Foote, Freeman
Frizzle, Alexander
Frizzle, A. Milton
Gepherd, J. P.
Haggberg, Peter Gustof
Harvey, Ernest W
Hopkins, James F
Hire, John P. J.
Isnor, Rupert A
Isner, Abner Nelson

MASTER MASONS—(Continued).

Isnor, Gordon B
Keating, Chas. H.
Kelly, Thomas W
King, Alexander A
Kiddy, James Robert
Kelly, Major
Kirby, Joseph
Liswell, John A
Luke, Walter G
Logan, David B
Lawrence, H J
Lane, W W
Lavers, William S
Lavers, Everett L
Malcolm, Fred N
Moore, Samuel James
Mitchell, Alonzo F
Morrison, Elisha R.
Myra, Robert A
McCauley, Murdoch A
McKenzie, James W
McLaughlin, Dugald
McKenzie, Kenneth A
McKie, Crawford J
MacAloney, Chas. Wm.
Mackintosh, Cyrus R
Outhit, John Francis
Parsons, Stanley S
Pelton, A F
Parker, Leslie Horace
Pickles, George
Parker, J W
Purdy, Henry Newton
Richards, Wm Roy
Redden, John Henri
Rennie, Edward
Roddick, John C
Rogers, Jameson Edw
Schulze, Carl G
Spencer, Joseph D
Spencer, Joseph
Smith, John W
Scott, Fred
Scott, Arthur Wm.
Smeltzer, Arthur J
Thompson, Albert A
Tully, Welsford H
Ward, Fitzgerald
Walters, Isaac
Withrow, Jacob
Watt, Charles Alex
Wallace, Burpee E
Westerman, Wm
Zinck, Wm Isaac

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## ST. ANDREW'S LODGE, No. 7.

SYDNEY, C. B.

Formerly No. 499, R. E Chartered August 20th, 1844.

Meets on the Third Tuesday of each Month.

OFFICERS.

JAMES CRAIGIE .....W.M.
JOHN K. McKENZIE.....S.W.
JOHN C. MACKAY.....J.W.
JONATH G. McKINNON..Treas.
HARRY S. THEAKSTON..Secty.
FRANK EDWIN LUCAS.....S.D.
SYDNEY E. MUGGAH.....J.D.
GEORGE H. DINGWELL.....I.G.
BRENTON N. TOWNSEND....S.S.
B. LeROY LOWDEN.....J.S.

REV. JOHN W. GODFREY, Chaplain.

JOHN C. TOWNSEND, Tyler.

T. W. PUBLICOVER, P.M., Marshal.

## PAST MASTERS.

A G McLean, P S G W, P D D G M
Angus McLeod
James Patterson
Thomas W Publicover, G O
Nelson E Muggah, P G S
Walter Crowe, P D D G M
Edward J Johnston, M D
Edward Grantmyer
John A Young
James E Townsend
Donald J McDonald, M D
Frank L. Dixon, P J G W
Robert Blair G S of W
Walter H. Hills, M. D.
William W. Dillon, P D D G M
Jonathan G McKinnon
Charles R Bown
Neil Ferguson
Donald S McIntosh
Alex N McLennan
J Harvey Treen
John K McLeod, M D, P J G W
John A McDonald, P G P
McDougall George D.
Noel Crewe-Read, P G S

## MASTER MASONS.

Allen, Charles Henry
Andrews, William H
Archibald, Henry H
Archibald, Geo E
Aymer, Stanley S
Anthony, Prescott
Battye, John Wm.
Bartholomew, Ernest
Bishop, Perley M
Battye, Rev Jas E
Boutilier, Thomas
Boutilier, T H
Beaton, Alex J
Becker, Isaac
Bayer, Frank E
Bezanson, Frank C
Boutilier, Milledge T
Begg, William Alex
Burnham, Henry L
Brookman, J S, M D
Baradale, David S
Bown, Fred Alex
Beebe, Fred Harding
Boyd, William B
Corbett, Lauchlin D
Campbell, Allister
Costain, John H H
Cockell, Ernst G
Champion, John F
Craven, John
Carter, Walter Chas
Cross Lionel Frank
Calderwood, James
Cameron, Fulton J.
Campbell, Peter, C. F.
Campbell, Jas. A. Jr.
Costley, Robert G
Currier, G. F.
Curry, Harry W
Driscoll, William J
Davies, John
DeVore, Henry C
Dawson, John Calvin
Dingwall, Geo H
Dingwall, William R
Dobson, Albro West
Dempster, Charles J
Dean, William T.
DeWitts, Stanley C
Dodge, Harry Oswald
Dumaresq, Wm. J.
DeWar, Alexander R
Emrich, Oscar W
Forrestall, James
Falconer, James A
Finch, William J
Florian, James B
Fixott, Melville J B
Farnan, Charles S
Fitch, William A.
Greenlees, Rev J A
Grant, Eldridge Y
Gainsburg, Rev Saml
Greenwell, Isaac
Giffin, Clarence B.
Hennigar, Monson G
Hardison, Frederick J
Hack, Charles D
Harrison, Alfred

MASTER MASONS—(Continued.)

Hardt, Charles F
Hill, Charles W
Ingraham, Bruce A
Johnson, Neil Donald
Johnston, John A.
Jones, William
Johnston, Charles J
Kennedy, Nelson F
King, Thomas C
Kirk, Charles D
Lighter, Jacob
Langille, Robt M
Leck, Arthur A
Lewis, Perry A
Laurie, William Ewan
Loughead, Frank W B
Lockhart, Grant A.
Laslett, Fred T
Moseley, Edgar W
Monk, William N
Munro, Hugh D
Munro, A D
Melville, Hector A
Meach, John A
Muir, Andrew D
Muggah, John W
Mabee, Walter Scott
Munro, Harvey McC
Millar, Alex C
Martin, Milton H
Marshall, Geo. P.
McVicar, Archd
McDougall, B Douglas
McDermaid, John A
McKenzie, Kenneth
McKenzie, Albert W
McLeod, Harvey G
McLeod, D F J
McLeod, Augustus M
McLeod, Norman D
McLeod, James Wm
McLeod, Neil J.
McLean, Robert B.
McLennan, Duncan
McAlpine, Daniel G
McDonald, W. W.
McDonald, Donald John
McDonald, John Angus
McDonald, John, M D
McDonald, Wm John
McDonald, J Alexander
McCoubrey, H A W
McKeagan, Archie
McRury, Norman
McAulay, John D
McDonald, Jas Arthur
McDonald, Angus Wm
McCusker, Frank
McVay, William
McKinnon, D L
McKinnon, Malcolm
McKimmie, J Ross
McRae, Wm R. M D
McKenzie, Duncan R.
McKenzie. John A.
McKenzie, Charles
McQuarrie, D H
McDonald, Angus J
McKenzie, Alex J
McPherson, John
McPherson, Edward
McPherson, Francis W
McPhail, Angus Don
Newcombe, Charles S
Nixon, William B
Neil, Joseph
O'Neil, Freeman, M. D.
Parker, John P, D D S
Parker, Rupert
Parker, William F.
Pratt, Andrew S
Peters, John
Payne. Henry T
Roy, John James, M D
Richardson, Alfred
Richardson, Daniel
Rutherford, Robt F
Ross, Robert
Robertson, George F
Robinson, John I.
Redden, John Taylor
Rice, William H, M D
Reid, Edward M
Reid, Artimus C.
Robb, Allan Ogden
Ross, George J
Routledge, William
Scott, Ernest C
Sharpe, James G
Somers, Fred John
Saunderson, Arnold O.
Steele, Howard
Smart, Alex H
Smith, Daniel J
Smith, Angus
Smith, Edgar B.
Smith, Perley R.
Smith, Howard L
Staples Winslow
Spencer, Gordon G
Stiles, Nelson S S

MASTER MASONS—(Continued).

Stephens, John W
Stewart, James L
Sperling George E
Townsend, N H
Townsend Jas Arthur
Thompson, George A
Thurston, Thomas M
Vail, Gilbert Herbert
Work, Benjamin J
Whitten, Roscoe B
Wheeler, Geo H
White, Frank J
Wilmot, Percy Charles
Walker, Thomas A
Woodill, Arthur W
Wright, Robert W

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## ACACIA LODGE, No. 8.

AMHERST.

Formerly No. 350, Registry of Ireland. Chartered March 15, 1845.
Also No. 14 R. N. S. Chartered March 8th, 1867.

Meets on the First Thursday of each month.

OFFICERS.

WILLIAM KENNEY .....W.M.
JAMES S. HORTON.....S.W.
GEO. H. STERNE.....J.W.
BARRY D. BENT, P. M.....Treas.
WILLIAM ADAMSON, P.M., Secy
AUBREY R. MURRAY.....S.D.
CHAS. DAUGLAS SHIPLEY..J.D.
C. EDGAR SHIPLEY.....I.G.
DAVID SMITH REID.....S.S.
ROY G. BARKER.....J.S.

GEORGE G. MASTON, Tyler.

REV. E. H. RAMSAY, Chaplain.

MAX M. STERNE, Organist.

GEORGE J. WHITE, Marshal.

PAST MASTERS.

Charles R. Smith, P G M
David T Chapman
Andrew J Munro, P D D G M
Nathanial Curry
George M Doull, P G L
David W Robb
Barry D Bent, PD G M
W Albert Downey
John A Crossmon
James M Hogan
Wm Fred Donkin, P D G M
E L Fuller
William M Dowlin
Charles S McLeod
P W McNaughton
William Adamson
Warren A Christie, P G P
Chas McQ Avard, M D, P G S
G H Guzzwell
Albert James Crease
Geo. Rod. Chisholm, P J G W
William G. Pugsley
James Ross Millar, M D

## MASTER MASONS.

Arthur J Henry
Archibald, Robert
Atherton, John P
Burgess, Robie M
Burgess, Rev Harry
Brawn, Norman Bruce
Biden, Harry Douglas
Brady, Harry Vincent
Brander, Alfred Utley
Barnhill, Brunswick E
Barnhill, Alex William
Barnwell, Victor A
Barclay, Neil
Black, J Avard
Black, Percy C.
Blair, Fred Leander
Bliss, C W, M D
Burrows, Francis
Barker, Albert A.
Chapman, R Clarence
Calhoun, Walter B
Chesley, W M
Cochran, Thos Henry
Crossman Geo Samuel
Casey, Clarenoe E
Curry, John M
Curry, Victor Garnet
Corbin, Rev Parker G
Chambers, Ernest D
Chapman, Garnet K
Carr, Albert Hanson
Crane, James Aubrey
Craigie, David Taylor
Campbell, Walter T
Cunliffe, Murdock
Cummings, Thomas H.
Cresswell, Rev. A. J.

Craig, Colin H.
Crandell, Rev Leonard
Currie, Neil Alex
Carr, Thomas
Chapman, Ernest S
Chappell, Owen Lloyd
Cove, John LeRoy
Davis, J Alder
Dyas, Ira Everett, M D
Dawson, George
Donald, Robert Paton
Dixon, Ernest Arthur
Dowlin, Arthur
Dowlin, Charles W
Embree, Herbert L
Embree, Russel M
Ferguson, Ernest B
Ferguson, Geo McD
Fouse, Adam Frank
Froggart, Joseph H
Fitzmaurice, Wm R
Fillemore, Fred S
Ferrand, George N
Freeman, Samuel V.
Freeman, Ralph W
Gordon, James Peter
Goodwin, Burton E, MD
Harrison, M B
Harrison, H J
Holmes, Wm Frank
Hoffmann, Jacob N
Hillson, Chas T
Hewson, C W, M D
Heustis, Fred Warren
Hoffman, Charles
Hoffman, Maurice A
Hamilton, Wm T

Hunter, Henry
Huntley, James A
Hillcoat, Fred C R
Ingalls, Willis A
Jenks, Max Venton
Jackson, John Slayter
Jones Hugh M
Knight, William
Knight, Edward W
Logan, Hance J
Logan, Thomas Carlye
Lockwood, Harry
Lytte, Albert F.
Lusby, Chas S
Laird, Beverly R
Madden, Archie
Mitchell, Robert
Mitchell, David
Manuge, Fenwick W.
Moore, Geo Sydney
Magee, Archibald B
Munsie, Lewis W
Munro, Chas Wallace
Munro, Ambrose W
Moss, Myer
Murray, Lloyd D.
Morrison, John W
Morrison, J H
Morrison, Daniel A
Mackie, William
Morse, Clinton J, M D
Moffatt, David W
Manning, Wiley McC
McQueen, C A, M D
McEachren, John
McClary, George A
McDougal, John G, MD

MASTER MASONS—(Continued.)

McKeen, George K
McCabe, Clarence W
McCabe, Clarence Alex
McCabe, C Fred
McLeod, Thomas D.
McLeod, D J
McRae, Rev Hector F
McNaughton, Harry L
McDonald, Geo Moore
McLeod, Douglas C
McDougall, Jack
McKenzie, Charles A
McKenzie, John G
McKinnon, W T M,MD
McDougall, Harry
McNair, William J
McGilvray, Edward H.
McLaughlin, Blair B
McKay, Charles S
Nowlan, John Grant
Patterson, Harris
Purdy, Chas LeBaron
Pride, William E.
Porter, Cyrus
Phalen, Ernest C
Pollard, Louis D
Purdy, Harry Alden
Quipp, Charles H
Quinlan, James A
Rockwell, W R, M D
Rhodes, Edgar N
Rennie, Orton E.
Roger, Geo. Ralph
Robertson, Robert
Rodgers, James Edgar
Ralston, James L
Ross, Alexander D
Reece, James William
Robb, Rowland W
Ripley, Geo Edward
Ryrie, Geo Andrew
Schurman, Jesse Jas
Smith, Raleigh Robert
Seaman, Job H
Sutherland, C Stanley
Sutherland, Rod H
Schuler, Frederick H
Stevens, Harold N
Smythe, Fred C
Sheen, John E
Silliker, Clarence J
Silliker, Ellmore E
Thornton, H
Thompson, Fred Starr
Turner, David H
Vail, Marshall B
Wales, James H
Webb, Wiliam Oswald
Webb, Emerson W
Wenman, John George
Wheaton, Frank G
White, James
Weir, William T
Williams, James A
Wentzell, Clifford R.
Yeomans, John
Young, B F
Yeaman, Walter

## ZETLAND LODGE, No 9.

LIVERPOOL.

Formerly No. 562, R. E. Established 1847. Chartered Mar. 22, 1849.

Meets on the Fourth Thursday of each Month.

OFFICERS.

HARVEY R. PUTNAM ....W. M.
E. F. PAGE.....S.W.
SIDNEY M. MULHALL.... .J.W.
JOHN GEO. PYKE, P.M, .Treas.
ROBIE McLEOD, P. M.....Secy.
HENRY R. JOHNSON.....S.D.
PETER SHEA JOHNSON.....J.D.
WILLIAM H. ZWICKER, P.M..I.G.
RALPH W. HENDRY.....S.S.
E. CLIFFORD MILLARD.....J.S.

SIMON CHANDLER, Tyler.

REV. HERBERT L. HASLAM, Chaplain.

PAST MASTERS.

John M. Cole, P D D G M
Robie McLeod
Duncan C Mulhall
Elisha D Moore
John F Seldon
James Scobey, P D D G M
John George Pyke
William H Zwicker
Stephen .C West.
Harvey R Putnam

MASTER MASONS.

Buchanan, Charles
Buchanan, Harris E
Banks, William Arthur
Baltzer, John
Bent, William Allison
Bowers, Peter
Bushing, John
Cole, Frank C
Colp, William H
Colp, Reuben
Colp, Simeon H.
Cohon, Philip
Clements, Charles H
Clements, Herbert
Dunlop, A Hugh
Dominie, Everett M
Dexter, Harris V
Dexter, John G
Dexter, Edward M
Daury, John D
Freeman, Clyde B
Freeman William J.
Fisher, William J
Fisher, Alister Stanley
Firth, Charles M.
Fraser, Walter E
Frelick, Elijah
Feoner, Charles O
Gardner, Harding T
Gardner, Stuart
Gardner, Blanchard
Gallihew, William
Hammett, Nathan D
Hatt, Fenwick W
Hatt, George H.
Hayes, James H
Hutt, Robert B
Hennigar, Clyde S, M D
Henderson, Joshua S
Hendry, A W
Inniss, Wilbert A
Johnson, Stanley

MASTER MASONS—(Continued.)

Joudrey, C Newton P
Keddy, William
Kenney, J A
Kempton, Edward
Leslie, C. Wilfred
Leslie, David Smith
Lyon, Peter William
Lennox, Frederick
Mack, Isaac Newton
Mack, Henry Morton
Mailman, Solomon
Misner, William C
Martin, Saml S
McQuinn, Howard
McIntosh, David J
McKenna, Bernard C
McLeod, Robert H
McLeod, A H
McLeod, Ernest M
McKay, Donald W
McDonald, William O
McClearn, George S
McDonald, Wm Murray
Ouellet, Francis A.
Rafuse, Ephriam E
Rafuse, John W
Ritchie, William
Reubin, Samuel
Smith, Freeman P,M D
Scobey, William H
Starratt, L Morton
Smith, Parker F
Shand, Alexander
Shankle, Owen M
Trites, C B, M D
Taylor, Alexander
Theriau, Charles
Thompson, William J
Verge, Samuel
Verge, Joseph
Wetmore, Herbert H
Wagner, W J
Winter, Joshua
Wharton, Lewis
Wharton, Wm H
Wolfe, Chas Edward
West, Frank W
Zinck, Charles

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## BURNS LODGE, No. 10.

HALIFAX.

Fomerly No. 352, R. S Chartered 1848. Also No. 1, R. N. S. Chartered Mar. 20, 1866.

Meets on the First Wednesday of each Month.

OFFICERS.

JOHN G. MITCHELL.....W.M.
HEDLEY V. McLEOD.....S.W.
ROBIE S. DAVISON.....J.W.
JOHN D. GRANT, P.M....Treas.
HARRY C. W. POWELL, P. M. .....Sec'y
JAS. A. WINCHCOMBE.....S.D.
WALTER TAYLOR .....J.D.
G. T. ALLUM.....Marshall
JOSEPH H. BARNES.....S.S.
CHARLES WALTER REIS....J.S.

J. EDWARD WEBSTER, P. M., Tyler.

## PAST MASTERS.

David Pottinger, P S G W
William A Garrison, P G S
Joseph R Bennett, P G L
John T Clark
William A McKenzie
John H Balcom
John Ellis
Samuel Hall
John Patterson
Thomas Wilson
Chas W Davies
James C Lloy, P S G W
Charles T Billington, P G S
Thomas McConkey, P G L
Frederick A Warner
William H Jessop
Edmund A Sullivan, P G P
Rod D Morrison, P G D
Robert Shute
Alexander McCowan
Arthur F Taylor
Harry C W Powell, P G S
William Ingles
John Duncan Grant, P G L
Warren Smith
Edward J Hudd
Edward C. Bethune.
George S Wright

## MASTER MASONS.

Anderson, John
Allen, Wm
Allen, Alfred D
Barnes, James
Barnes, Henry P
Balcom, Edward D
Barnstead, John H
Barnes, Herbert
Barclay, Wm
Burton, J W
Blizzard, John B
Brinkman, Charles
Blakley, John H
Brokenshire, Wm E
Brenton, Sidney D.
Brunt, William H
Brunt, Alfred G
Brison, Everett F
Butler, W F
Butler, Frank R
Burgess, Harry E
Cameron, John A
Carr, Chas. R.
Cann, Abram V
Chislett, James Henry
Carnell, Samuel G
Colyer, Charles H
Cox, Philip B
Crook, Alexander D
Cohoon, A F
Campbell, G M, MD
Cameron, Thomas G
Crouse, Orace
Cornish, Charles H
Colquhoon, Wm
Cawsey, Frank F
DeGruchy, Philip
Deal, Andrew
Daniel, W H
Dain, Arthur W
Dean, William M
Dunbrack, Angus
Emmett, John H
Ebsary, Wm
Ellis, Alfred
Eaton, W L Garrison
Faulkner, Daniel
Fleming, Alex. W.
Foster, W W
Fisher, Robert S
Fancy, Solomon
Ford, Emanuel
Geradine, Joseph W
Grant, George
Grant, John Davidson
Gibson, Edwin
Glenister, E D
Garrison, Harold A
Hollifield, J E
Howard, W H
Heffler, John
Hilman, G T
Heasman, Henry
Hare, John G Hunt
Hiltz, Charles I
Hickman, Robert F
Hiltz, A G
Hardy, Charles
Hilchie, Hugh M

MASTER MASONS—(Continued.)

Hall, Wm Henry
Hencher, Thos Henry
Hubbard, Arthur H
Hubley, Adolphus S
Hubley, Thos Alex
Ivey, George
Janes, George
Judge, George P
Judge, William James
Jenkins, Edmund P.
Kennedy, Howard
Leitch, James
Lemee, George W
Lowry, S W
Lovegrove, Frank
Landry, Murdock W
Lowe, C. B.
Lomas, Geo. W. S.
Lomas, Geo. Albert
Lomas, Frederick C
Layton, Fred W C
Mann, Alex John
Morrison, Ronald
Mosher, Waldo E
Mosher, Aaron A R
McAuliffe, John
McLaughlin, James A
McDonald, John
McNeil, Alexander
Nicholson, Alfred J
Otto, George W
Otto, Pius Jacob S
Ott, William Evans.
Palmer, Wm James
Parker, W P
Richardson, Ambrose B
Rosborough, C R
Roberts, James
Reisser, John J E
Rutherford, Douglas
Smith, Robert
Smallman, Joshua E
Stevens, William
Scriven, George M
Stevenson, Arthur
Stevenson, Rev. R. E.
Sampson, Saml Geo
Spears, Geo Wm
Silver, John Francis
Sawyer, William
Schaffner, Alb A, M D
Thompson, Matthew C
Thompson, Sedley F
Tucker, Charles F
Thorne, F W
Toole, James Arthur
Wood, Thomas
White, David
Wallace, J R T
Whidden, John G
Wright, Alfred G
Wills, Finlay
Wilson, Thomas G.
Young, Alexander
Yeadon, Andrew Wm

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## NEW CALEDONIA LODGE, No. 11.

PICTOU.

Formerly No. 565, R. E. Chartered October 15th, 1849.

Meets on the Second and Fourth Tuesdays of each Month.

OFFICERS.

ALEXANDER B. ALMOUR..W.M.
JAMES W. HEIGHTON....S. W.
WILLIAM CARLETON .....J.W.
KEN. J. McKENZIE, P.M..Treas.
ALEX. McDOUGALL, P.M..TSecy.
JOHN A. McEACHERN.....S.D.
SIMON W. CAMPBELL.....J.D.
WILLIAM CURRIE .....I. G.
ALBERT B. W. TANNER....S.S.
THOS. EDWD. STEWART....J.S.

H. CLINTON McLELLAN Tyler.

## PAST MASTERS.

Thomas Robley
John R Davies
Thomas Tanner, P D D G M
William F Tanner
Chas E Tanner, P D D G M
James P English
Fred McKaracher
Fred McLennan, P J G W
Simon F McKaracher
Matthew C Webster, P S G W
John D Macdonald
Kenneth J McKenzie
Alexander Fraser
Clarence L Moore
H Clinton McLellan
Alexander McDougall.
James A Sproull

## MASTER MASONS.

Anderson, Smith, M D
Arthur, James W
Barry, Daniel A
Bannerman, Alex J
Brown, John
Beattie, William A
Beers, Henry
Bonner, William
Currie, Alexander
Craig, Alvin J
Cole, Fred J, Senr
Calder, Anthony
Carson, J Edward
Crittenden, Charles L
Campbell, Roderick
Campbell, Alexander
Cameron, William
Douglas, John W W
Dustan, Wm M
Douglas, Daniel
Dowling, Rev J L
English, Duncan W
Fraser, A McG
Fraser Alex (Mar)
Fraser, Daniel
Fraser, John (Eng)
Fraser, Peter David
Fancy, Clifford R
Ferguson, Thomas R
Ferguson, John D
Foote, David McI
Forbes, Rev George E
Grant, Angus D
Geldert, William R
Gray, David
Gunn, William
Gandier, Geo G, M D
Hamilton, George J.
Hamilton, Clarence W.
Hugh, John T
Henderson, Alfred C
Heighton, Geo Thos
Johnstone, George E
Matheson, Henry
Murray, A Ross
Morrison, David A
Morrison, John H
Murray, Duncan, M D
Murray, Daniel, M D
Murray, George Wm
Munro, Ira David
McDonald, Chas A
McKaracher, Peter
McKay, John Thomas
McKay, Henry M
McKay, John Wm
McKay, J .W. (Archt.)
McKean, Melville
McKenzie, Charles W
McKenzie, Jno J, M D
McKenzie, William D
McKenzie, J D (Capt)
McKimmie, Robt D
McLaren, George B
McLeod, James W F
McLellan, Alexander
McDonald, Edgar C
McDonald, James
McDonald, Charles T
McDonald, Roderick
McIsaac, Wm M
McLean, James G
McLean, John H.
McLeod, Archibald
Pringle, G Adams
Pope, Edgar C
Proudlock, Wm Thos
Rood, Charles L H

MASTER MASONS—(Continued.)

Rose, Daniel H
Robinson, Charles B
Stiles, Reuben D
Simpson, Thomas N.
Steeves, Alfred A
Sutherland, Daniel R
Stewart, Alex Roy
Tait, William G
Talbot, Walter S
Tanner, Frederick I.
White, Fred A W
Wisner, Cooper H
Wetmore, Wallace C

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## HIRAM LODGE, No. 12.

YARMOUTH.

Formerly No. 598, R. E. Established 1848.

Meets on the First Monday of each Month.

OFFICERS.

REV. ALLAN M. HILL, D.D..W.M.
EDGAR N. CEMENTS, P.M..S.W.
BURGESS M. BLACKADAR..J.W.
HARRY K. LEWIS, P.M...Treas
ALBERT H. HOOD..... ..Sec's
SAMUEL P. HOOD, Jr.....S.D.
WALTER R. KIERSTEAD....J.D.
ARTHUR RODGERS, P.M..I. G.
VERNON SMITH SWEENEY S. S.
MURRAY C. WYMAN.....J.S.

BENJAMIN B. SMITH, Tyler.

REV. ROLAND M. JOST, Chaplain.

PAST MASTERS.

T V B Bingay, P D D G M
Fred M Hatfield
Henry Churchill, P G S
William R Wetmore
Harry H Munro
Charles E Filluel
William L Rogers
Samuel G Gardner
Arthur K VanHorne P D D G M
Thomas E Corning
George Bates
George T Grant
Arthur Rogers, P J G W
Harry R. Moody, P G S B
Lyman J Rogers
Arthur P. Stoneman, P G S
Leslie T Porter
Joseph W Boyd
James H Borgle
Edward D Moulton
Harry K Lewis
Albinus W. Horner.
Edgar N Clements

MASTER MASONS.

Abbott, Robert J
Allen, Ross B
Baker, Jas G
Baker, John McN
Brooks, Harry Irving
Bambrick, Rev R D
Blackadar, Archibald
Beveridge, Wm R
Crosby, Knowles E
Crosby, George M
Crosby, Ansel B
Chapman, Thos
Cann, Weldon Roy
Dodds, Thos Walter
Durkee, Irving A
Dyke, Chas F
Earl, Geo R
Frost, David B
Fleet, Lindley M
Flowers, Wm A
Flemming, Clyde R
Gardner, Arthur W
Graves, George H
Haines, Albert G
Hall, Chas. Lincoln
Hood, Samuel L, Sr
Homer, Murray S.
Huestis, Edward
Hibbard, Frank
Killam, Geo R
Kinney, Charles P
Lane, Rev W G
Lent, Thomas K
Middlemas, Chas E
Millen, John D
Mosher, Malcolm
Murphy, Henry
Murphy, Edward M
Munro, Hugh D
Marshall, Wm H
McCallum Wm M
McPhail, Campbell H
O'Brien, Arthur L
Pheasant, Fred
Purney, John M. D.
Perry, H Gordon
Perry, William H
Perry, George H
Pearce, Wm C L
Pettet, John G
Pelton, Charles S
Phinney, W. M. D.
Pineo, Charles C
Randall, William
Rozee, James
Roy, Louis J
Ryder, George N
Redding, William H
Rafuse, Daniel
Roop, Rev Fred E
Redding, Edward A
Rogers, Harry Douglas
Ritchie, W Coy
Saunders, David S
Scott, John S
Shaw, Millidge A
Suttie, Calvin D
Tappenden, Chas W
Tooker, Irving R
Thurston, Edward L
Wallace, James A
Williamson, S W, M D
Wyman, Benj R
Woodland, Geo H, M D
Wright, Rev F C
Wetmore, David

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## ACADIA LODGE, No. 13.

PUGWASH.

Formerly 612, R. E. Chartered Feby. 28th, 1853.

Meets on the First Monday of each Month.

OFFICERS:

HERBERT F. ELLIOTT.....W.M. EDW. RUSSEL HEATHER...S.D.
AARON B. HOUSTON.....S.W. CHAS. M. McFARLANE.....J.D.
JOSEPH EASTWOOD .....J.W. GEORGE HEATHER .....I.G.
FRANK M. BROWN, P.M..Treas. JOHN SUTHERLAND .....S.S.
S. P. BORDEN, P. M.....Secy. LESLIE R. CUTTEN.....J.S.
PETER STEWART, Tyler.

PAST MASTERS.

Robert Smith
Elias King
Donald Mackintosh, M D
George Henry Johnson
R Stanley Smith
Frank M. Brown P D D G M
Stanley P Borden
Edmund P Elliott
John Frank Smith
Alexander F Macaulay.
Charles E Bent

MASTER MASONS.

Angus, Henry S
Betts, Edward
Brownell, J Harvey
Clay, Rev Fred Miles
Colburn, Levi
Demings, Arthur M.
Dunn, John M
Fraser, James G. W.
French, Percy L
Gammon, Oristas C
Hollis, Thomas
Houston, Hiram
Houston, Rupert W
Hunter, James
Hussey, Charles E
King, Oliver
Mitchell, Allison
McDonald, Allan
McLean, Peter F
McPherson, Evan E
McPherson, John A
McNutt, Robert D
McNutt, Silas C.
Peers, Edw Eaton
Ross, Angus D.
Seaman, Alfred E
Slocombe, Wilson M
Stewart, Rev John H
Stewart, Peter
Strumbert, Daniel
Smith, Harris Herbert
Smith, George Oulton
Van Buskirk, John G.
Whitman, Isaiah J.

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## ACADIA LODGE, No. 14.

HALIFAX.

Formerly Athole, No. 361, R. S. Chartered February, 1852.

Meets on the Second Monday of each Month.

OFFICERS.

VICTOR B. BEATTIE.....W.M.
HERBERT ROY ROZEE.....S.W.
F. PROUSE.....J. W.
LEO. G. ESTHER, P. M...Treas.
FRED ROGERS, P.M.....Secy.
WILLIAM P. MOSELEY.....S.D.
RALPH F. ISNOR.....J.D.
H. N. OLDHAM.....I. G.
GEO. H. LENAGHAN.....S.S.
JOSEPH R. JAMIESON.....J.S.

JOHN EDWARD WEBSTER, P. M., Tyler.

## PAST MASTERS.

John W Ruhland, P G M
Thomas D Spike, P D D G M
George Taylor, P G S
Geo J Harris
Adam J McNutt
John Snow
Fred Rogers
Albert Downey
Stephen A Hiseler
James A Costen
L G Esther
John Armstrong
Robert Armstrong
Henry B Parker
Alexander Love
Henry J Baker
Alex M Bayers

## MASTER MASONS.

Anderson, Augustus
Baker, Henry
Banks, Alfred M
Blackie, Charles
Bragg, Thos. Joseph
Cowie, Hugh
Cordis, Henry A
Comner, Alfred G
Cruikshanks, B. C.
Collier, Alexander
Dickson, Alexander
Evans, Eli
Emmett, George H
Emmett, Geo Fred
Ervin, Leonard
Ford John
Getson, George LeRoy
Green, John A
Hilchie, Chas A
Hardy, C
Henry, Henry
Horley, Fred W
Harrison, Joseph W
Holland, Edward
Hamilton, Evelyn
Ingall, Cyrus M J
Johnson, Arthur E
Kelly, James C
Langille, Walter
Lee, Jos T
Letson, Philip H.
Leitch, Andrew B
Locke, Robert H
Lethbridge, Henry
Lenaghan, Chas H
Miller, Adam L
Mills, Edward
Moody, Alexander
Munro, Hugh
Munro, Freeman L
Morine, Percy St Clair
Meadon, Simon
Mosher, Walter
McFarquhar, J R
McEachren, Alexander
McLeod William L.
Nickerson, Eugene A.
Nauss, William J
Oglivie, John Henry
Oxner, Lorne
Oxley, John
Parsons, Henry
Roome, John R
Rozee, Charles
Ross, James Archibald
Renner, Thomas H
Rogers, Fred Alexr
Smith, Samuel A
Schultz, Thomas
Smith Adelbert H
Stewart, Daniel
Sutherland, W W
Stewart, Donald W
Strom, A A
Straughn, James
Sweet, George
Spruce, Thomas
Upham, Charles H
Wood, Charles L
Ward, Edward
Ward, Ralph E.
Young, William
Young, Thomas

## ATHOLE LODGE, No. 15.

HALIFAX.

Formerly No. 361, R. S. Chartered February, 1852. Also No. 2, R. N. S. Chartered May 20th, 1866.

Meets on the Second Wednesday of each Month.

OFFICERS.

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| JOHN McDONALD .....W.M. | FRANCES J. HARRAHAR....S.D. |
| ARTHUR W. COAKLEY.....S.W. | WILLIAM EDWARDS .....J.D. |
| DONALD CAMPBELL .....J.W. | PETER J. JENSEN, P. M..I. G. |
| J. FRED EDWARDS, P.M..Treas | HENRY GARDNER .....S. S. |
| D. H. CAMPBELL, P.M....Secy. | JAMES SINCLAIR TURNER..J.S. |

JOHN E WEBSTER, P. M., Tyler.

FRANK A. SKELHORNE, Organist.

PAST MASTERS.

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|---|---|
| Thomas Mitchell | Jos L Hetherington, P G D |
| John P Longard | Charles E Craig |
| Daniel H Campbell, P D G M | Peter J Jensen |
| James H Dow | John T Giles |
| Alexander Ross, P G L | William J Dickson, D D G M |
| John Lycon, P G S | J Fred Edwards, P G S |
| Frank John Holland | Sedley B McNutt |
| Joshua Wonnacott | Arthur Percy Hill |

MASTER MASONS:

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|---|---|---|
| Baker, Charles W | Calderwood, John W | Glasey, John A |
| Batson, Edward B | Crane, William Geo | Gates, Chas E |
| Brotonie, William | Connor, Wm Alex | Gough, Arthur, McG. |
| Balcom, Thomas W. | Carter, Thomas | Gaetz, W. J. |
| Barnstead, Jeremiah | Cole, Chester, Arthur | Harraher, Jas Afred |
| Booth, Thomas S | Davies, Harry H. | Hook, Albert Philip |
| Burns, John W H | Dawes, George W. | Hartfree, William |
| Crouse, James Albert | Dowding, Lionel H | Helsby, Reginald Paul |
| Clark, William A | Eastwood, Edwin R | Herkes, James |
| Cornfoot, Nathan | Giles, Richard | Hancen, Carl C |

MASTER MASONS—(Continued.)

Hicks, Frank D
Hines, John J
Hartling, Thos P
Halliday, Walter M.
Hefler, Charles Irwin
Isner, William Duncan
Johnston, Allan S
Jennex, Alexander
Jensen, Jens Peter
Jenney, John James
Kilgar, James
Kent, James Robert
Keating, Michael W
Kennedy, Daniel C
Lyons, Corall Aston
Lessar, Joseph Harris
Lawrence, Earnest G.
Lawrence, Fred. A.
Mason, Edward
More, William A
Miller, Michael
Masters, Francis K
Moulton, John
McCarthy, John C
McIsaac, Daniel J
McLaughlin, Walter
Nokes, William J
Newcombe, Wm A
Naylor, John W
Naylor, Geo Fred
Persson, Hjalmar
Pilgrim, W Henry
Poole, William Alfred
Publicover, Wellesley S
Riis, Johan K
Rood, Francis V
Ross, John
Rudolph, Alford
Redpath, Douglas T
Sawlor, John W.
Sarre, William C
Stratton, John J
Sutherland, Peter G
Sutherland, John H
Siteman, Hugh F
Swensen, Olaf
Taylor, J E M
Taylor, James
Taylor, Samuel
Taylor, Wm
Thompson, Thomas
Thomson, Alex S
Wells, Ernest
Walters, Solomon
Young, James H
Zinck, William D

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## KEITH LODGE, No. 16.

BEAR RIVER.

Formerly 628, R. E Established May, 1851. Chartered January 30th, 1854.

Meets on the First Monday of each Month.

OFFICERS.

WILLIAM H. SMITH.....W.M.
JOSEPH L. WARREN ....S. W.
EDWIN B. PURDY.....J. W.
ALPHEUS B. MARSHALL.Treas
CERENO H. PURDY, P.M..Secy
CHAS. E. WINCHESTER.....S.D.
GEO. THOMAS TUPPER.....J.D.
ALBERT BENSON.....I. G.
LEWIS Z. BENSON.....S.S.
CLARENCE R. ADAMS.....J.S.

WILLIAM ALCORN, Tyler.

LENFEST RUGGLES, P. M., Chaplain.

RALPH H. PURDY, P.M., Organist.

PAST MASTERS.

John H Benson
Cereno H Purdy
Stephen Kniffin
Willard G Clarke
Lenfest Ruggles
James H Purdy
Colin C Rice
Wayland E Read, P D D G M
George A Kennedy
Ralph H. Purdy
William H Smith
Chas C Archibald, M D

MASTER MASONS:

Anthony, Rupert J
Brown, Charles W
Benson, Maurice E.
Benson, Lewis Z.
Brinton, Elias
Berry, Jesse C
Beeler, George E
Clarke, Wallace W
Curtis, John Thos
Cunningham, John H
Cameron, Daniel A.
Delap, Watson H
Dunn, Cervanties
Emenau, Archibald J
Fitzmaurice, Wm H
Frude, Burton T
Fleet, Fenwick W
Graham, Wallace
Harris, LeRoy Oscar
Harris, Corey Gould
Hubley, Gilbert
Long, Wallace E
Long, Joel D
Long, Priestly
Long, Corey
Miller, Wiliam E
Munro, Isaiah
Morgan, William
McNeil, Albert Fletcher
Purdy, John D
Peterson, Peter
Purdy, Walter
Purdy George E
Rice, James Wilkie
Rice, Boyd LeRoy
Ritchie, William A
Snell, Joseph Albert
Spurr, John D
Spurr, William V
Smith, William
Thompson, Samuel S
Vroom, George E
Weilant, Lorge Edward
Weilant, Geo V
Wright, William J

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## KEITH LODGE, No. 17.

HALIFAX.

Formerly No. 365, R. S. Established January, 1852. Also No. 8, R. N. S. Chartered May 20th, 1868.

Meets on the Second Thursday of each Month.

OFFICERS.

HENRY WOOLLEY .....W.M.
WM. H. WEATHERDON.....S.W.
HERBERT POLLETT .....J.W.
CHAS. ZWERLING, P.M....Treas.
WILLIAM GLEESON, P. M.Secy
JOSEPH RICHARDSON .....S.D.
GEO. N. HENLEY.....J.D.
JOHN G. COLP.....I. G.
WALTER E. CROUCHER...S. S.
EDWARD PATENALL.....J. S.

REV. KIDD FLEM. NANCE, Chaplain.
JOHN E. WEBSTER, P. M., Tyler.

## PAST MASTERS.

James K Munnis
William H Havill
John Quigley
William Gleeson
James Farquhar
William H Sopher, J G W
Charles E Huggins
William Allen, P G S
Charles Zwerling, P G S
Warwick H Paul
Henry Curtis
John P Hirtle
Rupert H Elliott

## MASTER MASONS:

Bendell, William
Bliss, William
Baker, John
Brister, Wiliam H
Brager, Jacob
Carr, John
Crump, James G
Colwell, Fred Wm
Cohn, Samuel
Conrad, James Edward
Corbin, Everett A
Croskill, James H
Cooper, Walter Herbert
Curtis, Charles A
DeMoine, Heber F
Dawe, Wilfred
Ehmann, Saul L
Fazackley, Robert
Fassett, Joseph John
Forrest, Harry B
Fassett, Alfred E.
Farnsworth, Fred D
Glube, Harry
Greenwod, Clifford A
Gilbert, Fred. W.
Halliday, Tristian J
Hughes, Herbert J
Havill, Wm. Geo.
Hamm, Arthur S
Heckman, Clarence T
Jacob, George F
James, George Albert
May, Louis Arthur
Mageral, Richard
McFatridge, Howard S.
Nelson, James S
Nicholson, John A
Norman, John
Ormiston, Chas E
Ornstein, Max J
Palmer, Henry C
Proctor, Reuben P
Prescott, John L
Pliskow, Harris
Quigley, William S
Purcell, Albert W.
Richardson, Fred. G.
Rankin, Andrew
Redford, John H
Smith, Edwin
Simon, John
Saintmire, Thomas
Sanger William D.
Safford, James W
Thompson, Joseph
Thompson, George P
Turrel, Joseph
Webber, Harry
Westhaver, Chas B

## UNION LODGE, No. 18.

### HALIFAX.

Formerly 693, R. E. Established December, 1855. Chartered December, 1856.

Meets on the Third Monday of each Month.

OFFICERS.

AUBREY D. MacKERROW..W.M.
CHARLES PINHEIRO .....S.W.
CHARLES A. WEEKS .....J.W.
JAS. McN. DANIELS.....Treas.
JAS. R. JOHNSTON, P. M.Secy
JAMES A. BROWN.....S.D.
WILLIAM WILLIS.....J. D.
JOSEPH FLINT, P. M.....I. G.
JOSEPH J. SKEIR.....S.S.
AUGUSTUS HUSBANDS .....J.S.

J. EDWARD WEBSSTER, P. M., Tyler.

THOMAS ARTHUR, P.M., Chaplain.

PAST MASTERS.

Demas Skinner, P G P
William T Bailey
William B Thomas, P G S
Abraham Tynes
Rev H A S Hartley, M D, P G P
Joseph Flint
Thomas G McDonald
Charles E Brackett
James R Johnston
Thomas Arthur
George Roache

MASTER MASONS:

Barr, James C
Bauld, Fred Jas
Brown, Rev H B
Beckles, Alonzo
Berry, Joseph
Braithwaite, William
Clements; Rev. Abram
Clyke, George Albert
Connor, Alex H.
Cox, William Lewis
Curll, John D
Dixon, Charles T
Ewing, Thomas J
Fubler, Albert F
Goler, Rev William H
Gaines, William D.
Hagan, Edward C
Hamilton, Amos E
Hamilton, Fred S
Hyde, Poll Robinson
Jones, David E
Jones, William
Johnson, Thos P
Johnson, William H
Johnson, Rev John
Jacklin, William L.
Jackson, William W.
Jones, Benjamin F
Jones, Lemuel Robie
Joseph, William T.
Latimer, George
Lynch, Edgar M
McClarty, Clinton C
MacKerrow, James T.
MacKerrow, Joseph B.

MASTER MASONS—(Continued).

Newman, John William
Philpott, James W.
Price Austin
Roan, Samuel F
Robinson, David C
Reid, Joseph D
Samuel, Wilfred M
Sargent, Leonard F
Skinner, Joseph A.
Seymour, Herbert W.
Simmonds, Thomas H
Smith, Wm Harrison
Symons, Norman E
Thompson, Edward
Tynes, James
Wall, Edward C
Welch, John E
White, Charles T
White, Rev. W. A.
Young, William

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## ROYAL ALBERT LODGE, No. 19.

NORTH SYDNEY, C. B.

Formerly No. 379, R. S. Established February, 1857. Also No. 1, R. N. S. Chartered March 13th, 1868.

Meets on the Third Monday of each Month.

OFFICERS:

JASPER C. PYNN, M.D.....W.M.
GEO. FRED McDONALD....S.W.
WARREN C. MOFFATT.....J.W.
A. McKAY ROSS, P.M.....Treas.
JOSEPH TREEN, P. M....Secy.
A. FRED JUBIEN.....S.D.
JOHN R. STEVENS .....J.D.
DUNCAN H. BUCHANAN....I.G.
HENRY GALLOP .....S.S.
THOMAS E. McDONALD.....J.S.

THOMAS POOLE, Tyler

REV. T. C. JACK, D.D., Chaplain.

ALEX. CHAS. WATSON, Marshal.

PAST MASTERS:

William Proctor, P D D G M
John Vooght
G F M Forbes, P D D G M
John N Armstrong
John J Forbes, P D D G M
A R Forbes
William Forbes
J W McLean, M D
Horace E Moore
F H Rudderham
Joseph Treen
Benjamin S Black
Welsford D MacKay, P J G W
Wm. J. R. MacKay
Adam McKay Ross

MASTER MASONS:

Archibald, William H
Bissett, James D
Brown, George B
Campbell, Robert T
Campbell, Wm John
Chambers, Arch C
Chambers, C. D.
Collins Geo L
Crombie, Isaac
Ford, Thomas Jos
Gale, Rev Alfred
Grant, Harry Fisher
Grant, Thomas
Graham, Gordon McG
Goodwin, William
Gordon, Alexander
Hickey, Edward W
Hickey, Arthur Wm.
Hickey, Chas. Percy
Hill, John
Horne, Finlay
Ingraham, Edward A
Innis, James
Knowles, James
Kelby, Frank Tracy
Langwith, J F
Lawlor, Matthew W
Lawlor, Clarence W
Murray, John McD.
Mitchell, Douglas W
Musgrave, Robt
Moore, Roy McLeod
Macfarlane, William
McInnis, Angus
McKinnon, Edward
McLean, Murd T, M D
McLeod, Murdock D
McLeod, John
McLeod, H. D.
McLean, Daniel
McLean, Daniel H
McLean, Murdoch
McDonald, Alexander
McDonald, Ronald
McLeod, Jas Andrew
McKenzie, D D
McKnight, John
McMillan, Lorne
Purvis, T D A
Philips, Edwin L
Rattray, James
Ross, Malcolm J
Robertson, John C
Rogers, John
Rudderham, B E
Roberts, Thomas
Salter, Sidney
Spencer, Almon
Staples, Edward
Scott, Robert P.
Swartz, Arthur Wm
Taylor, William
Tuck, John
Thompson, Alex Chas
Thompson, Samuel
Thurlow, Norman A
Vooght, R T J
Vooght, Arthur T
Williamson, Theo. T.
Whitman, Harry E.
Wilkinson, Edward
Young, George Edson
Young, George

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## ST. GEORGE'S LODGE, No. 20.

WOLFVILLE.

Formerly No. 832, R. E. Established Nov. 22nd, 1784.
Meets on the Second Friday of each Month.

OFFICERS:

ROBIE W. FORD.....W.M.
ALFRED K. BARSS.....S.W.
JAS. ALFRED ELDERKIN...J.W.
ABNER J. McKENNA, P.M.Treas.
ASHTON M. WHEATON PM Secy
JOHN T. ROACH.....S.D.
HUGH T. BULLOCK.....J.D.
THOMAS L. HARVEY, P.M...I.G.
JAS. WM. BARCLAY.....S.S.
INGRAHAM B. OAKES, P.M..J.S.
MARTIN W. PICK, P. M., Tyler.
REV. D. W. CRANDALL, Chaplain.

PAST MASTERS:

Jas W Bigelow
E N Payzant, M D
John W Wallace
Jas W Caldwell, P D D G M
Geo H Wallace, P D D G M
Thomas L Harvey
Watson H Duncanson, P G S
Ingram B Oakes, D D G M
C R H Starr
Abner J McKenna, P D D G M
John D Chambers
Arthur M Hoare, P G D
Geo E DeWitt, M D
Martin W Pick
Joseph R Macdonald
Ashton M Wheaton
Lewis Wesley Sleep
Ralph Creighton

MASTER MASONS:

Adamson, David B
Archibald, William L.
Brown, Guerdon D
Baker, Silas I
Barss, Andrew DeW
Boates, Isaac S
Brown, Rev M W
Burgess, Rufus E
Bradbrook, Chas A
Crane, Frederick H
Caldwell, Nathan E
Campbell, Charles A
Carmichael, Duncan E.
Cowens, Fred Wm
Chase, W H
Daniels, Alfred Inglis
Ells, Ralph Harold
Ford, William T
Foster, Arthur DeWitt
Freeman, Samuel V.
Gilmore, Stanley L
Hales, James Edward
Harris, Lewis E
Harris, Rupert E
Hopkins, LeBaron
Harris Wm C B
Harvey, John W
Hunter, Geo. William
Hutchinson, Thos. E.
Jardine, Warburton
Johnstone, Jonathan L.
Kennedy, John F.
Larkin, Freeman J
Lawrence, Harold
Morse, John A, M D
Mahoney, Edwin F
Moore, Ernest F
McKinnon, Marsden K
McNeil, James A
Patterson, Charles F A
Peck, Henry A
Rockwell, Frank P
Robinson, Ernest
Roscoe, Victor L
Sears, Frederick C
Starr, Arthur Clark
Strong, Ralph K
Stephens, William T
Simson, Frederick A
Smith, Joseph Elliot
Stevens, Starratt A
Syson, William
Thorpe, William E
Thompson, David
Tabor, John H
Vaughan, Clement M
Watson, Arthur James
Watson, Ralph H
Wallace T R

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## DAVIES LODGE, No. 21.

WILMOT.

Formerly 425, R. S. Established, 1859. Chartered 1860.

Charter Surrendered 1870.

## SCOTIA LODGE, No. 22.

HALIFAX.

This Lodge ceased working and 40 of its members affiliated with St. John Lodge, No. 2, April 6th, 1874.

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## KEITH LODGE, No. 23.

STELLARTON.

Formerly No. 870, R. E. Established June, 1860. Chartered June 14th, 1861.

Meets on the Fourth Tuesday of each Month.

OFFICERS:

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| GEO. WILLIAM CONWAY..W.M. | HENRY C. MACDONALD....S.D. |
| HUGH LAWRENCE FRASER.S.W. | HENRY HARRIS MURRAY..J.D. |
| FRANK EDW. TIBBETS.....J.W. | THOMAS MASON .....I.G. |
| JOHN McQUARRIE, P.M..Treas | ALFRED H. BANDOUX.....S.S. |
| JOHN T. McLEOD, P.M....Secy | SIMON JAS. BANNERMAN...J.S. |

ALEXANDER G. GRANT, Tyler.

REV. WM. A. CUNNINGHAM Chaplain.

PAST MASTERS:

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|---|---|
| John McQuarrie | Thomas A McDonald |
| Jos Baxter | Albert McN Grant |
| John M Baillie, P D D G M | Alexander Hay, P G S |
| Hugh R Munro, M D | John T McLeod, P G W |
| Angus H McKay | James W Fleming |
| James R Corbett | John H Mailman |
| Harry Bruce | John Thomas Munro |
| William C McDonald, P D D G M | John C Corbett |
| John H McIntosh | Frank H Munro |
| W G Miller, P G S | Henry Todd Begg |
| Lewis Campbell | William H Cunningham |

MASTER MASONS:

Archibald, Lester W
Aikens, John B
Bain, Alexander
Bowren, George W
Bartley, Henry R
Black, Frank W
Blenkinsop, John K
Blair, James
Bowser, Duncan McK
Burden, Geo Henry
Boyer, Fred C
Cameron, William F.
Cameron, F G D
Cameron, John
Cooper, Edward H
Campbell, John H
Copeland, Frederick W
Culton, Enoch H
Colter, Albro
Crawford, Geo A
Crockett, Fred G
Cunningham, Jas A
Davies, Charles E
Dickson, Charles Wm
Dickson, George L
Dougla, Murray
Dunbar, John H
Dunbar, Harry G
Dunbar, John M
Downes, William B
Falconer, James Fred
Falconer, Robert
Falconer, Hugh W
Ferguson, W Max
Fraser, Daniel Gray
Fraser, Edward Brent
Fraser, Lyons Murray
Fraser, Peter
Fraser, John
Fraser, Owen R
Frame, Robert Wilson
Foster, Smith
Fukes, Isaac
Gammon, Spurgeon
Grant, Ira C
Grant, William T
Gass, Danl Sherburn
Halliday, Duncan S
Hall, Walter E
Hayward, James R
Hayes, Charles Dunn
Hayes, Joseph Henry
Herritt, Edward
Hayman, Alexander E.
Henderson, James W
Henderson, Allan
Henderson, David N.
Inglis, Alex Mitchell
Jefferson, Richard G
Johnson, Robert G
Kellock, John Daniel
Lampay, William G
Leithead, James
Morrill, Henry
Miller, Alexr Purvis
Mason, Thomas
Munro, Duncan, C
Munro, Daniel
Mullins, Percy
Munro, John J
Mooney, Daniel
Murray, Willard
Murphy, Michael G
Mitchell, David A
McLellan, John J
McLellan, John T
McLellan, William M
McNichol, Rev Wm
McDorman, Hugh
McLean, John C
McKinnon, Wm Hugh
McKenzie, Alexander
McNeil, Roderick
McLean, David C
McLeod, Daniel
McLeod, John Hugh
McDonald, John Alfred
McDonald, J. Allister
McDonald, Daniel F
McDonald, John P
McDonald, James W
McDougall, William
McKay, Thomas K
McKinlay, William
McLean, Gregor Alex
McIntosh, Donald
McKay, George A
McKay, John C
McArthur, Hugh E.
McKay, Angus
Osborne, W. W.
Potts, William Joseph
Purvis, Sylvester W
Purves, Sylvester W.
Probert, Arthur
Proudfoot, Adam Reid
Ross, Charles
Shaw, James
Shaw, J Herbert
Sutherland, William
Sutherland, William C
Smith, James W

MASTER MASONS—(Continued.)

Sobey, John William
Stewart, Hugh D
Stewart, Hugh Peter
Stewart, Charles R
Stewart James D
Stewart, Robert
Stewart Leonard C.
Thompson, Harry D
Taylor, John
Tupper, William
Tufts, Rev Wm M
Urquhart, Albert
Urquhart, Daniel E
Vacheresse, Albert
Vacheresse, Flavein
Vacheresse, Edward
Vacheresse Victor
Vacheresse Edward W.
Willis, James F

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## CONCORD LODGE, No 24.

CLARKE'S HARBOR, SHELBURNE.

Formerly No. .., R. S. Also No. 8, R. N. S. Chartered Mar. 20, 1866
Meets on the Second Monday of each Month.

CLARENCE K. HOGG.....W. M.
REUBEN G. PENNEY.....S.W.
FRANCIS E. BURROWS.....J.W.
GEO. W. BROWN, P. M..Treas.
ARNOLD C. NEWELL P.M. Secy
AUSTIN C. SMITH.....S.D.
JAS. CROSBY McGRAY.....J.D.
JOHN G. NICKERSON, P. M.I. G.
CHAS. S. NICKERSON.....S.S.
CHARLES HENRY BLAKE...J.S.

EPHRIAM NICKERSON, Tyler.

HORATIO NELSON NEWELL, Chaplain.

PAST MASTERS:

William B Smith
Daniel V Kenney
James L Nickerson
Manasseh G Nickerson
Frank Symonds
John G Nickerson
Smith A Nickerson
George W Brown M D
Arnold C Newell
Maurice A. Nickerson
Ross Williams
Byron H Smith
Crowell Newell
Clarence K. Hogg

MASTER MASONS

Atwood, N Heckman
Atkinson, Chas A
Brannen, Francis A
Brown, Walter
Citron, Solomon J
Covert, Thomas W, Sr
Covert, Thomas W, Jr
Doane, Isaac K
Goodwin, Stephen M.
Garron, Hezekiah
Hobbs, Bernard Edwin
Kenney, Alfred
Lundgren, William
Messenger, Smith
Morrisey, David G
Murphy, Rodman
McLeod, Rev A H
Nickerson, James E
Nickerson, Wm D
Nickerson, Robert A
Nickerson, Cyrus
Nickerson, Elijah
Nickerson, Alfred S
Nickerson, Judah
Nickerson, E. F.
Nickerson, George W.
Nickerson, Eugene
Nickerson, Jas E, Jr
Nickerson, Walter G
Newell, J. Allister
Newell, Arthur S
Newell, Moses
Newell, John A
Newell, George
Phillips, Geo Elliott
Penney, Roswell B
Robbins, Rev. Wm. A.
Sutherland, Ed D'Alva
Smith, Walter B
Smith, Hiram J
Smith, Arthur B.
Smith, William A.
Smith, Lindsay
Smith, Mitchell B
Smith, James G
Smith, Harvey C
Swim, Herbert R.
Swim, Jeremiah
Symonds, Joseph M
Taylor, Frank W, M D

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## WESTPORT LODGE, No. 25.

WESTPORT.

Formerly 923, R. E. Chartered February, 1861.
Charter Surrendered 1884.

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## WELSFORD LODGE, No. 26.

WINDSOR.

Formerly No. 924, R. E Established July, 1861. Chartered August 23rd, 1862.

Meets on the Second Thursday of each Month.

OFFICERS:

H. BLISS BURPHY.....W.M. ARCHIE F. DeMONT.....S.D.
DANIEL WESLEY MUNRO..S.W. GEORGE W. McCULLY....J. D.
FRANK SCOTT BURGESS...J.W. MAURICE ELERY HUTT.....I.G.
JAMES E. SMITH, P.M....Treas. HARRY PETER MURPHY...S.S.
JESSE P. SMITH P. M.....Secty. GEORGE FOX .....J.S.

HENRY A. DORE, Tyler.
REV. JOHN B. MERRILL, Chaplain.
ARTHUR ALMON DILL, D. D. S., Organist.

PAST MASTERS:

Con W Dimock
Henry W Dimock
Rev C Bowman, D D, P G C
Jesse P Smith
H Bliss Murphy
Benj J Barns, P D D G M
Frederick O Curry
Fred Curry
James W Lawrence
William M Christie, P S G W
Joseph H Sargent
James E Smith
DeLance, F Faulkner
C J Margeson, M D
Rev Henry A Harley
William J Hanebury

MASTER MASONS:

Archibald, Hiram D
Armstrong, James M.
Anslow, James J
Baker, John Ira
Banks, William Harry
Blanchard, John W
Beazley, Jesse
Barns, Byron N
Burgess, John G
Breckin, James
Blauvelt, Aaron G
Cochran, James W
Cochran, Henry
Coon, James
Churchill Ezra
Campbell, Robt Roy
Curry, Charles K
Card, Elisha Henry
Churchill, R Winsor
Cook, George Edward
Davis, Daniel
Dodge, John W
Dimock, Clarence H
Dimock, Carey M.
Dimock, Fred. Ralph
Dimock, W Eugene
Drysdale, Arthur
Estes, Walter Dalton
Etter, Oswald C
Edgett, Jas Wilton
Fielden, William
Francis, George S
Graham, Fred Albert
Graham, John P
Geldert, Geoerge D
Hunter, Samuel C.
Harriott, F E
Hopkins, John M
Keddy, Owen B, M D
Kilcup, Joseph W
Knowles, Benj S
Lawrence, Robert
Lawrence, Albert
Lunn, Wm
Lyon, Geo Trueman
Mosher, John L.
Mitchner, Silas H
Mosher, Philip J
Marshall, Edward B.
Martell, Rev. Geo. R.
Milligan, Samuel J
Miller, Henry H
Miller, John S.
Murphy, Charles R
Maynard, Richard
Mitchener, Alonzo
Morris, C. H. M. D.
McDonald, John
McKenzie, Chas. D.
McKenzie, John Rod
McKay, J St Clair, M D
McMullin, Thomas R
McRae, D. R. M.D.
Parker, Samuel A
Parker, Lawrence E
Parsons, George M
Parsons, Albert
Payzant, Elias R
Pratt, John
Putten, James Henry
Prisk, William John
Reid, James W, M D
Redden, Lewis
Robinson, Wm Chas
Russell, James A
Smith, Frederick E
Smith, James A
Smith, John Arnold
Smith, Joshua H
Spearing, William J
Sprowson, Peter
Starratt, Avard L
Walsh, Frederick
Watts, Albert J.
Webb, John A
Wilson, David W
Woolaver, John N
Worst, Wm Henry

## WIDOW'S FRIEND LODGE, No 27.

WEYMOUTH

Formerly No. 953, R. E. Chartered March 2nd, 1863.

Charter Surrendered June 3, 1874.

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## SCOTIA LODGE, No. 28.

CANNING.

Formerly No. 961, R. E. Established May, 1861.
Meets on the First Wednesday of each Month.

OFFICERS:

IRA B. SOLOMON..... ..W. M.
RUFUS D. GREENE.....S.W.
THOMAS FORSYTHE .....J.W.
C. E. LOCKWOOD.....Treas.
LLOYD MAYNARD WARD..Secy
DAVID B. WEAVER.....S.D.
ANSEL H. HOLDSWORTH...J.D.
JOS. A. NORTHUP P. M....I. G.
W. H. BAXTER..... ....S. S.
HENRY POTTER .....J.S.

HALLE BIGELOW, Tyler.

REV. WILLIAM J. D. GIBSON, Chaplain.

PAST MASTERS:

Sir F W Borden, M D
John W Miller, P D D G M
Joseph A. Northup, G D of C
Alfred Doull Payzant, P G D of C
Arthur McN Lockwood
Philip Brown
John West
R G D Harris
George L Miller
Vincent Greene
George W Parker
Alfred Potter
Ira B Solomon

MASTER MASONS:

Barkhouse, Clement
Blackadar, Wm G
Boudreau, John Peter
Burgess, Howard A.
Dickie, Fred. Martin
Grant, John Lewis
Leitch, Archibald
Loomer, Elijah J
Magee, William H
McLeod, Rev A M
Palmeter, Henry A
Smith, Wm, D F
Vaughan, Clement L.

## PRINCE OF WALES LODGE, No. 29.

MILTON.

Formerly No. 964, R. E. Established March, 1864.

Meets on the Second Tuesday of each Month.

OFFICERS:

FRED R. FREEMAN.....W. M.
JOHN WILLIAM TURNER...S.W.
FRED. M. JOHNSON.....S.W.
DANIEL T. MOODY, P.M..Treas.
ELMER SARGENT MILES..Secy.
JAMES MILLS, P.M.....S.D.
ALEX. L. MELANSON.....J.D.
M. F. BROWN, P.M.....I.G.
FRANK MOORES .....S.S.
HUGH BERNARD FREEMAN.J.S.

ROBERT SMITH, Tyler.

PAST MASTERS:

Geo H Bell
Daniel T Moody
Ingraham W Freeman
Rufus C Ford, G P
M F Brown
Frank Moores
James Mills
Fred R. Freeman
Newton C Freeman

MASTER MASONS:

Anthony, Rev S W
Brown, Ansel George
Collie, Eldon Osborn
Coops, Alester H
Coombes, James E.
Ellis, James Rupert
Freeman, Judson H
Freeman, Edward H
Freeman, J Reginald
Freeman, Joshua N
Freeman, Ambrose B.
Freeman, Frank R
Ford, Albert Edward
Ford, Belmont O
Ford, J. Wilson
Forbes, John Alfred
Farquhar, W H
Huskins, Smith
Huskins, Andrew
Huskins, Edward A
Hunt, R Clifford
Hunt, Maurice G
Hunt, James A
Hemeon, William G
Hatt, Arthur Crawley
Harlow, John H
Kempton, Samuel T
Kempton, Philson
Kempton, C Robie
Mills, Joseph Starr
Misner, Albert
McCaffery, Rev W Alex
MacKenna, I Lester
Sloat, Rev Horace B
Sponagle, Lewis B
Smith, E L
Smith, J W, M D
Wentzell, John G
Wentzell, Samuel

## ALBERT LODGE, No. 30.

SHELBURNE.

Formerly No. 946, R. E. Established March, 1865. Also No. 6, R. N .S. Chartered March 20th, 1866.

Meets on the Second Wednesday of each Month.

OFFICERS:

GEORGE K. HINES.. ....W.M.
LEWIS OBED. FULLER, M.D.S.W.
WALTER HRY. BOWER, M.D.J.W.
JOHN HIPSON.. .....Treas.
GEO. THOS. MACDONALD..Secy.
J. ROYDEN ETHERINGTON.S.D.
JAS. HAVELOCK HARDING..J.D.
ALBERT McCARTHY.....I. G.
ROBERT McKAY..... ..S. S.
CHARLES DEXTER .....J.S.

LEANDER NICKERSON, Tyler.

REV. R. WARD FISHER, Chaplain.

PAST MASTERS:

N W White, P D G M
Winslow C McKay
Robert A Bruce, G S
James Lewis McKay
George K Hines
Charles S Bruce
Arthur F Bower
Henry Hatten West

MASTER MASONS:

Bower, Reuben Roy
Bill, Edward M
Bower, Fred Andrew
Bower, Bertram
Cocheron, John
Crowell, Chas Edgar
Dexter, Harry Lewis
Etherington, Robert P.
Etherington, Clifford N
Erinsky, Benny
Firth, William
Firth, Uriah
Goldburg, Nathan
Goldburg, Joseph
Hardy, Clarence A.
Hayden, Howard T .
Irwin, Robert
King, Frank S
Locke, Samuel
Morrison, John C
Miller, Rev Wm F
Muir, Frederick W
Muir, Chas Wilson, DDS
McGill, C S
McGowan, Wm J A
McKenzie, John T.
McKenzie, Ralph
Oates, Charles S
Pennington, Jas E
Purney, Thomas
Purney, John W
Thorborne, O P
Thorborne, Bradford P
Thornborne, Albert
Thorborne, O Page
Walsh, Lawrence J

## SCOTIA LODGE, No. 31.

YARMOUTH.

Formerly No. .. R. S. Established March, 1863. Chartered May 9th, 1864. Also No. 17, R. N S. Chartered December 13th, 1867.

Meets on Third Mnday of each Month.

OFFICERS:

STANLEY P. GOUDEY.....W.M.
WILLARD F. KEMPTON.....S.W.
GEORGE M. GOUDEY.....J.W.
E. J. VICKERY, P.M.....Treas.
ERNEST C. KILLAM.....Secy.
HERBERT WALL .....S.D.
JOHN WM. PATTERSON....J.D.
GEO. D. BLACKADAR P.M., I. G.
LELAND S. HALEY.....S.S.
CLAUDE L. SANDERSON....J.S.

OBEDIAH C. HARDING, Tyler.

ALBERT GAYTON, Chapain.

A. ROY WILLIAMS, Organist.

PAST MASTERS:

George W Johnson
Sandford H Pelton P J G W
Thomas R Jolly
J Murray Lawson, P D G M
Amos B Crosby
M Pickles Cook
Edgar J Vickery, P J G W
Norman L Trefry, P D D G M
Charles F Brown
Joseph E Hopkins
Thomas B Flint, P G M
Arthur J Cann
Charles G Godfrey
Frank E Killam
W Graham Putnam, M D, PDDGM
Edward Allen, P G D
Robert S. McKay, D. D. G. M.
Joel R Fritz
George D Blackadar
G Judson Burrell
Roy Stanley Kelley.
Shenton B Allen

MASTER MASONS:

Baker, Seymour C
Baker. John Wallace
Baker, Thomas
Baily, Francis A
Blackadar, Ross L.
Bower, Addison John
Brown, John L
Colpitts, Horace G
Cook, Albert B
Crosby, George N
Carey, Charles
Cossitt, Otto Von B
Critcher, Louis Nathan
Ellis, Alvin E
Ellis, John W

MASTER MASONS—(Continued.)

Ellis, Josiah
Elwell, Albert Baker
Forbes, Charles N
Foulis, Nehemiah
Foulis, Geo Leslie
Guess, Ross W
Gray, James Bond
Grant, Jacob Wyman
Guest, Robert Flint
Goudey, John Edwin
Harrison, Maurice J
Hilton, Alfred, D. S.
Hermann, Carl J.
Holden, Spencer S
Hemeon, Center Gibbs
Hulsman, Henry A
Johnston, William J
Johns, T W, Jr
Kirk, John D
Kempton, Willard F
Kennedy, Francis R
Kinney, Chesley R.
Killam, S LeLancy M
Kenney, Daniel Brenton
Lovitt, J Harold
Larkin, Nehemiah C
Lewis, Arthur Silas
Morton, George J
Moses, Stephen D
Morrill, Charles N
McCauley, Frederick
McKinon, Arthur W
McGill, Oliver
Nickerson, O A
Newell, Stowell Grant
Perry, George E
Paige, James F
Porter, Horace B
Potter, Fred J
Probert, Joseph
Rogers, Joseph H
Rose, Rev Chas W
Robbins, Bernard S.
Strickland, Norman C
Stewart, Robert
Sinclair, Ernest H.
Smith, James
Thomas, Rev Chas H
Trefry, Albert H
Teasdale, Rev John J
Taylor, William F
Trask, Elkanah
Turner, Mendal Crocke
VanNorden, Abner N
Wetmore, George L
Wheaton, Lewis H
Winchester, James W.
Walsh, C Edw, M D
Webster, William
Wyse, Robt Rennie

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## ELDORADO LODGE, No. 32.

PORT HILFORD, GUYSBORO CO.

Formerly No. 434, R. E. Established May, 1865. Also No. 11, R. N. S. Chartered June 14th, 1867.

Meets on the First and Third Thursdays of each Month

OFFICERS:

ROBERT REID..... .. ..W. M.
ALFRED K. SUTTIS P.M., S. W.
WM. McCONNELL, P.M.....J.W.
MATTHEW McGRATH, P.M.Treas
LEMUEL B. SUTTIS, P.M...Secy.
JAS. McCONNELL, P. M..S. D.
DANL. P. McNAUGHTON, P M..... ..... .... ..J. D.
ALEX. C. STEWART, P.M....I.G.
WILLIAM CHURCH .....S.S.
GEO. W. CLARK P. M.....J. S.
JAMES S. HEWITT, P.M., Tyler

PAST MASTERS:

Alfred K Suttis
Lemuel B Suttis
George W Clarke
Robert Reid
James S Hewitt
Daniel P McNaughton
John Ballantyne
John Rood
Alex C Stewart
James McConnell
Matthew McGrath
Robert Rood
William McConnell

MASTER MASONS:

Beaswanger, C R
Fleming, Judson D
Elsworthy, John T
Mills, Freeman
McKenzie, Kenneth
Sutherland, J D

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## ANNAPOLIS ROYAL LODGE, No. 33.

ANNAPOLIS.

Formerly 1047, R. E. Established May, 1862.

Meets on Wednesday nearest full Moon.

OFFICERS:

CARDENAS M. CROSBY....W.M.
E. BERTRAM McDANIEL....S.W.
LEONARD A. FULLERTON..J.W.
THOMAS H. REID.....Treas.
FRED. W. HARRIS, P. M..Secy
ROBERT HIBBARD .....S.D.
ELISHA W. BALCOM .....J.D.
WILLIAM A. DANIEL.....I.G.
GEORGE ARMSTRONG .....S.S.
JESSE L. JEFFERSON.....J.S.

JOHN H. McLEOD, Tyler

REV. WILLIAM T. SUCKLING, Chaplain.

LeBARRON MILLS, Organist

PAST MASTERS:

George Whitman
Augustus Robinson, P D D G M
George B Harris
James McDormand
Albert D Mills
Reginald S Miller
Alex Harris
Jacob M Owen, P S G W
W J Shannon, P D G of C
Clarence W Mills, P DD G M
H Dwight Ruggles
Frederick W Harris
Hugh E Gillis, P D G M
Samuel C Shaffner

MASTER MASONS:

Anderson, Willard H
Armstrong, Byard M
Armstrong, Fred
Boehner, William A.
Bradford, Henry M
Burnham, Henry B.
Bath, Albert E.
Blair, Reid
Caffrey, Robert W.
Calder, William H
Calneck, Gilbert A
Clark, John L
Clayton, Morris
Chase, Walter W.
Corbett, Albert
Crosscup, Howard T
Dargie, Charles B
Delap, J Albert
Dukeshire, Benajale
Edwards, William H
Fairn, Frank H
Farnsworth, Wm H
Frizzle, Alfred J
Gilliatt, George A
Hardwick, Richard H
Hardy, William
Harnish, Chas A
Hardwick, G. Bertram
Hardwick, G Andrew
Horsfall, Arthur
Healy, Joseph K
Harris, Isaac D
Harris, Ralph T
Hawkesworth, G A
Irvine, Hugh M
Irvine, William A
Johnson, James W
Kirwin, Henry
Lynch, James P
Marshall, William A
Malcolm, Robert
Millet, Charles
Mills, Frank P
Mills, George W.
McCormack, Charles
McLaughlin, Chas E
McWhinnie, Chas E
O'Dell, Griffin
Parker, William A
Potter, Leverett
Payne, Harry H.
Pickup, S W W
Peters, Oliver R
Saunders, Richard P.
Tupper, Elias
Tupper, Chas. Forbes
Tupper, James H
Thomas, James Percy
Whitman, R Parker
Whitman, Rufus G
Waugh, James Allan
Weldon, William H
Wells, George
West, Rev. Joseph K.
Whitman (Rev) Geo W
Zwicker, Parker

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## QUEENS LODGE, No. 34.

SHERBROOKE

Formerly No. .., R S. Chartered December, 1864 Also No. 10, R. N. S Chartered March 20th 1866.

Meets on the First and Third Tuesdays in each Month.

OFFICERS:

L. D. DENSMORE, M.D.....W.M.
FRED. W. CORBETT.....S.W.
JAS. W. McDONALD, P.M....J.W.
WM. B. McLANE.....Treas
JOHN H. McLEAN, P.M....Secy
WM. H. McDONALD, P.M....S.D.
JAMES R. LAING.....J.D.
JOHN D. McDONALD P.M., I.G.
HOWARD HARTLING .....S.S.
CLAR. W. ANDERSON, P.M...J.S.
SOLOMON E. PRIDE, P. M., Tyler.

## PAST MASTERS:

William H McDaniel
James A Fraser, P D D G M
John Cameron
John D McDonald, P D D G M
Wm H McDonald
John C Archibald
James R. Macdonald, S. G. W.
James W Macdonald
David Dechman
William J Murdoch
Alfred K White
Thomas M McGrath
Neil McEachren
Alfred W Fraser
John H. McLean
Clarence W Anderson
James F Ellis, P D D G M
Robert J Scott
Alexander McDonald, P D D G M
Herdman McKay
Solomon E Pride

## MASTER MASONS:

Bainford, Rev John J
Berrigan, John
Beiswanger, John H
Burns, David J
Cumminger, Jesse
Cuminger, Jas W
Campbell, John A
Cruikshanks, Wm G
Fraser, Daniel, M D
Fraser, Donald
Fleet, Isaac E
Fisher, Clarence B
Grant, Hiram
Grant, Robert H
Gunn, William
Hewitt, John
Hewitt, William A.
Hudson, Donald G
Hudson, Lewis L.
Hudson Harold V
Hudson, Samuel L.
Hemlow, Henry M.
Hemlow, Frank W
Hemlow, Wm
Hemlow, James S
Ireland, Alexander F
Keith, Oliver N
Manson, Alexander
McDonald, J Geddie
McIntosh, Edwin L
McIntosh, James
McIntosh, James W
McKenzie, Alex D
McKeen, William
McLane, Alex J
McLean, William A
McLean, Berton T
McQuarrie, Gordon
Pye, Odess
Pye, James R
Pye, Leonard W.
Polson, John F.
Pace, George H
Pride, John A.
Romkey, John T
Smith, Alexander F
Sutherland, Wm A
Sutherland, Robert H.
Sinclair, John Alfred
Weir, George B
Wier, Robert T H
Warren, James
Warren, James Walter
Wilson, Joseph
Wilson, Kenneth M
Whitman, Robt E

## ST. MARK'S LODGE No. 35.

BADDECK, C. B.

Formerly No. .., R. E Established January, 1865. Also No. 9, R.N.S. Chartered March 20th, 1866

Meets on Third Tuesday of each Month.

OFFICERS:

JOHN HANAM .....W.M.
DANIEL McINNES .....S.W.
WM. CLARENCE LODGE....J.W.
ALEX. TAYLOR, P.M.....Treas.
MALCOLM A. McLEOD P.M. Secy
MURDOCK R. McLEOD.....S.D.
ALEX. JOHN GRANT.....J.D.
CHARLES H. FOYLE.. ....I. G.
JOHN MATHESON .....S.S.
ALEX. R. McDONALD.....J.S.

ALEX. YOUNG McDONALD, Tyler.

REV. CHAS. C. McINTOSH, Chaplain.

PAST MASTERS:

John L Bethune, M D
Daniel M McDonald
James C McDonald
Alexander S McDonald
Henry A Foyle
George Hollifield
Angus McInnis
William C McNab
Philip McRae
Angus Ferguson
Malcolm A McLeod
Hartley H Crowdis, P D D G M
Alexander Taylor
Daniel McRae
James L. Rice.
John A. McIver, M.D.
Philip McLeod

MASTER MASONS:

Archibald, John W
Atwater, Harold E
Blesedell, John
Buchanan, Angus A.
Campbel, Samuel C
Cranton Edgar A.
Crowdis, Melville C
Doherty, Miles
Davidson, John G
Ellis, Charles W H
Foyle, Jacob Laurence
Frizzle, Donald B
Gillis, Ewen T
Gillis, Duncan
Hart, Albert I
Hart, Charles R
Hart, J. Ernest
Hebb, Charles A
Kennedy, Neil
Mancheser, Percy
Matheson, Alexander
Morrison, Allan
Morrison, John
Morrison, William D
McAskill, Ewan G
McAskill, Murdock D
McCurdy, Arthur W

MASTER MASONS—(Continued.)

McCurdy, Chas W K
McDermid, John A
McKinnon, Dougall
McRae, Alexander
McRae, Hector
McRae, Alexander D
McRae, Donald, J
McRae, Daniel Philip
McRae, Daniel D
McRae, Rev Duncan M
McRae, Murdock N
McRae, John C
McLeod, Murdock D
McLeod, Daniel B.
McLeod, Murray Dodd
McLeod, Neil K
McLeod, Daniel
McLeod, Alexander
McKay, Angus
McKay, John Duncan
McKay, Murdock D
McDonald, William J
McDonald, W G Forbes
McDonald, William A
McDonald, Edward N
McDonald, Angus J
McDonald, Roderick P
McDonald, Thomas A
McDonald, Murdock M
McDonald, Daniel
McRitchie, Wm J
McRitchie, Simon H
McLennan, Joseph
McKenzie, William D
Nicholson, Colin J
Nicholson, Alexr P
Rice, Edmund
Ross, James A
Sellon, Henry David
Scranton, Wm C
Smith, Jas Mariner
Watson, Robert F

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## THISTLE LODGE, No. 36.

PORT MORIEN, C. B.

Formerly No. 1109, R. E. Established December, 1865 Chartered April 26th, 1866.

Meets on the First Saturday of each Month

OFFICERS:

JOHN R. McAULAY.....W.M.
JAS. ARTHUR MADDEN....S.W.
JOHN HARRIS .....J.W.
SAM A. SPENCER, P.M..Treas.
GEO. M. MILLER, P.M....Secy.
ALEXANDER McLEOD .....S.D.
JAMES HENDERSON .....J.D.
ARCHIBALD E. McDONALD..I.G.
DON. J. McMULLEN, P.M....S.S.
WILSON SMITH .....J.S.

ALBERT SHEPPARD, Tyler.

PAST MASTERS:

Andrew L Anderson
Duncan McKenzie
William Clarke
James Baird
John McDonald
Angus McLeod

PAST MASTERS—(Continued).

Angus McLean
Samuel A Spencer
Angus McAulay
Donald T McDonald
James Campbell
John Morrison
Reuben W Smith
Alex McKinnon, P G S of W
William A. Brann
Roderick McVicar
Donald J McMullen
George M Miller
Henry W. Spencer

MASTER MASONS:

Andrews, George W
Andrews, James
Arbukle, William D
Andrews, Alonzo
Bain, Andrew
Bain, James R
Caldwell, John
Campbell, George
Cowie, William
Lewis, Freeman
Landry, Edward A.
Daniels, Joseph
Dillon, Joseph A
Dickson, H A
Duguid, George
Ferguson, John M.
Ferguson, Neil
Hansen, Hakon K
Harris, John
Leslie, Gasper J
Martell, William J
Murrant, William
Morrison, John
Morrison, Murdoch
McAulay, Neil
McAulay, James
McAulay, Daniel A.
McAulay, Norman E.
McAulay, Duncan S.
McAulay Angus W.
McAulay, Edw Alex
McAulay, Malcolm S
McNeil, Wm Arnold
McKay, Norman J
McKinnon, Wm A
McLean, Roderick
MacIsaac, Angus
MasIsaac, Archie
McKenzie, Malcolm
McKenzie, Daniel
McQueen, Donald J
McQueen, Archibald
McGregor, William R
McGregor, John
McPherson, Murdock
McDonald, Allan
McDonald, Alexander
McDonald, John A
McDonald, Donald C.
McDonald, Murdoch
McDonald, Daniel M
McDonald, Peter
McDonald, William S
McDonald, Roderick
McMillan, John A
McMullen, Alexander
McMulen, John S
McMullen, Hugh
McMullen, Ronald
McMullen, Donald
McMullen, Neil
McLeod, Malcolm
McLeod, John
McLeod, George
McLeod, Donald A
McPhail, Rev John W
McCuish, James
McVicar, Donald John
Nutter, Robert Dunbar
Oliver, John Henry
Orr, Joseph
Robertson, Robert
Smith, Philip E
Simmonds, George
Sheppard, Elisha
Simpson, Andrew
Wooley, John Nelson
Wadden, George C.
Wadden, Walter J.
Wilson, Henry C.

## COBEQUID LODGE, No. 37.

TRURO.

Chartered Surrendered March 31, 1881.

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## LODGE OF ST. MARK, No. 38.

HALIFAX.

Formerly No. 11. Chartered June 16, 1866.

Meets on the Second Friday of each Month.

OFFICERS:

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| EDGAR MORRIS HILTZ | W.M. | HERBERT S. HUGHES | S.D. |
| JOHN H. BORGLE | S.W. | GEORGE L. ALLEN | J.D. |
| JOHN S. McL. FRASER | J.W. | ROBERT J. COLLINS | I. G. |
| RICHARD H. CRAYDEN | Treas | PERCY OGDEN ZWICKER | S.S. |
| FRED. S. BURNS | Secy | WILLIAM H. PIRIE | J.S. |

JOHN E. WEBSTER, P.M., Tyler.

PAST MASTERS:

Theo A Cossmann, P G M
Miner T Foster
William V Murray P G W
J Wilberforce Longley
James A Adams
Rufus O Zwicker, P G S
George Bishop, Sr
John Edward Webster, G T
Frederick Moore
James Grant
John McLeod
Malcolm McF. Hall, P D G M
Theophilus Zwicker
George W Rhind
Arthur G Lovett, P G S
Richard A Spawton, P G S
William Bannister
Joseph H McDonald
Jas W Farquharson
Wm K McDonald

MASTER MASONS:

Adams, Alexander
Adams, Jas. Alex.
Akerlund, Herman L.
Boutilier, Thomas W
Barnstead, Frank E
Brister, Charles G
Brenton, Thomas.
Brenton, Frank C
Brailsford, John A
Bristowe, James
Bird, George
Bayers, William S
Bishop, George, Jr
Bullard, Fred M
Cook, Frank

MASTER MASONS—(Continued.)

Coffin, Thomas R
Chesley, James L
Coombes, George W
Crocker, Herbert
Campbell, J A W
Canty, Wm Otto
Collings, Wm Parker
Collings, Geo Edw
Davidson, William
Dawes, James H
Day, Alfred Jas
Dunn, Fred W.
Edwards, Robt Jas
Erb, Winnifred I
Elliott, John P
Eastley, Albert E.
Eckersley, Chas. L.
Evans, John Wm
Fielding, W S
Fenton, Edward J
Ferguson, Alex J
Flemming, James S
Fraser, Arthur Munroe
Fraser, Arthur Thos
Gear, Wm Chas
Grant, James E
Gaetz, Albert W
Hartlen, Clarence J
Harvey, C Tupper
Hawkins, C A
Hall, Neil
Horne, John P
Hawes, George A
Hamlin, William
Hepp, Israel
Hickman, Albert E
Haugen, Peder Lud
Heisler, Herbert S
Hiltz, John Fred
Hart, Thomas
Jackson, George R
Johnson, W H
Jennings, Alfred
Kemm, George J
Koybler, C. Richard
Little, James
Lloy, Norman Henry
Lovett, Louis
Muir, William Hugh
Meehan, James F
Munnis, Charles H
Morehen, Wm J
Magnus, Geo A
Manuel, Edgar Avery
Manning, B Walter C
Morrow, Herbert B
Macray, Thomas D
McLeod, John R
McRae, Peter
McKenzie, Daniel G
McKay, John
McLean, Mur McKay
Nickerson, Edward W
Norris, James T
Packer, John
Parker, Wm J
Ross, Robert.
Rutherford, Jas McG
Ritchie, Frederick
Rudland, John A
Reeves, William
Stuart, Daniel C.
Smith, Samuel
Smith, George B.
Skillen, Dawson C.
Shortt, Thomas A.
Simpson, William J
Saunders, George W
Sim, George W
Thompson, Douglas G
Tracey, Albert Henry
Thompson, James G
Totten, Freeman
Wyatt, Fred J
Wilder, Edgar J
Wood, Henry
Wood, James
Warr, Richard C
Way, Arthur W
Wright, William
Wright, Thos Albert
Wallace, Charles Alex
Walker, Jonathan
Wilson, Hugh W
Young, Alfred

## ACACIA LODGE No. 39.

BRIDGEWATER.

Formerly No. .., R. E. Established 1865 Also, No 22, R. N. S. Chartered June 24th, 1868.

Meets on the Second Tuesday of each Month.

OFFICERS:

HORACE CLARKE DUNCAN.W.M.
ROBERT R. FEINDAL.....S.W.
PHILIP E. RAFUSE.....J.W.
RUPERT NEWCOMBE .....Treas
JAS. A. CURLL, P.M.....Secy
JOHN R. FALT.....S.D.
WILLIAM H. McCARTHY..J. D.
ROBIE E. CUSHING, P.M.....I.G.
EDWIN L. JOHNSON.....S.S.
JACOB CROUSE .....J.S.

WM. TRETHEWAY P. M., Chaplain.

WATSON F. PORTER, Organist.

JOHN McMILLAN, Tyler.

PAST MASTERS:

W H Owen P D D G M
Rev Geo D Harris, P DD G M
James A Curll, P D D G M
Thomas B Simonson, P G D G M
W Reuben Wentzell
James A McLean
Fred S. L. Ford, M D, P D D G M
Robert A Logan
William C Hunter
Robert Dawson
J Arthur Roberts
Lewis C Gelling
Carman S Marshall, P D D G M
Duncan L Fraser
Nelson P Freeman
William Tretheway
Robie E Cushing

MASTER MASONS:

Ambrose, Rev. Geo. M.
Arrow, Frederick
Boehner, Geo A
Boehner, Fred A
Barnaby, Howard S
Bates, William O
Boyd, George M
Baker, Joseph H
Baker, John Allen
Bell, Robert Duncan
Clements, Arthur H
Corkum, Sydney B
Cross, James Wm
Collins, David Henry
Clark, Fred W
Conrad, Jacob F
Clatenburg, Chas W
Coffill, Walter D
Dauphinee, Owen G
Duff, William M
Ducoffe, Marquis

MASTER MASONS—(Continued).

Daviss, Jas Malcolm
Ducoffe, Myer A
Eisenhauer, Wm A
Freeman, Churchill L
Gelling, Rev W E
Giffin, John V
Goodwin, Warren
Harrington, M P
Hebb, Geo. Bernard
Haine, Ephraim
Haine, Levi
Haughn, Wallace
Heckman, Stanley
Hilton, Hiram E
Heckman, Walter S
Huestis, Rev Chas S
Hubley, George A
Jones, Fred Lorne
Kaulback, Enos
Keenan, William P
Kerr, Vernon Cecil
Knox, James J
Kelly, Fred W
King, Jas Alex
Morgan, John N.
Miller, Louis Seymour
Margeson, Jos Willis
Marston, John C.
Mosher, Hantz
Millet, Chas. Wm.
Munroe, Arthur A
Moore, Thomas W
Miller, John McIntosh
McDougall, Cecil B
McLean, John W
McNeil, William
McMerkin, Robert J
McMillan, Daniel A
Norwood, Rev Robt W
Oakes, William
Oakes, Alonzo
Oliver, Allan W
Patillo, Heber M
Patillo, Thomas R
Power, James T
Putnam, Hartwell N
Putnam, Laring H
Reinhardt, W Norman
Reinhardt, Edw M
Rawding, Walter T.
Roberts, Rev Edmund
Rafuse, John S
Rafuse, Charles H
Rafuse, Alton Henry
Rehfuss, Wallace N
Robertson, Harold D
Ross, George D
Richard Wm. Jas.
Richard, Elias Joshua
Richard, Angus D
Saunders, William L.
Sprague, Rufus G
Stewart, Dugald
Synde, Frank
Silver, HenryAlzonas
Veniot, Nathan
Verge, Foster
Wentzell, Abner
Weir, Daniel Hugh
Wile, Arkanus L
Wile, Evans Twining
Williams, Rev Rich P
Wyman, Joseph H
Zwicker, Alexander

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## OPHIR LODGE, No. 40.

TANGIER.

Formerly No. 12. Chartered March 8, 1867.

Charter Surrendered September, 1870.

## ROTHSAY LODGE, No. 41.

BRIDGETOWN.

Formerly No. 832, R. E. Established October, 1866.

Meets on the Thursday of each Month nearest the full Moon.

OFFICERS.

JACOB WILSON SALTER..W.M.
HENRY BRANDON HICKS..S.W.
ARTHUR S. BURNS, M.D....J.W.
W. A. WARREN, P. M.,....Treas
HARRY L. BUSTIN.....Secy
JOSEPH WORTHYLAKE ...S.D.
FRED F. R. BECKWITH.....J.D.
FRED R. FAY, P.M.....I.G.
JOHN EVERETT BELL.....S.S.
HARRY L. BENTLEY.....J.S.

WM. MANTHORN, P. M., Tyler.

M. EDW. ARMSTRONG, M. D., Chaplain.

PAST MASTERS:

Rev H D DeBlois, G C
Louis G DeBlois M D
Albert Morse
Frank R Elliott
Fred R Fay, P G W
Judson Foster
Horace G Bishop
William Manthorn
Fred S Anderson P D D G M
Wilbert Austin Warren
George Inglis Salter
Timothy B. Chipman

MASTER MASONS:

Anderson, Avard L
Balcom, Ernest Lee
Banks, Charles L
Bath, Fred Ernest
Beardsley, Samuel M
Bent, Edmund
Bishop, Forman Bill
Burke, Ernest E
Covert, Owen Percy
Coldwell, E Pryor
Chesley, Rupert
Dixon, George H.
Elliott, Ralph W
Foster, Mayhew C
Fallesen, Soren N
Freeman, Karl
Graham, Harvey E.
Hall, John
Hoyt, Wm Jesse
Inglis, Alfred H
Kinney, Archibald W.
Langley, Wiliam P
Langley, Elias G
Miller, Oliver S
Miller, Wm Ray
Morse, Leander R, M D
MacDonald, Rev A J
Piggott, John W
Pincombe, Charles
Peters, James White
Ruggles, Reg Ralph
Rumsey, Norman
Starratt, Herbert D
Starratt, Harry J
Stephens, John A F
Williams, Herbert F
Weare, S N

## EUREKA LODGE, No. 42.

### SHEET HARBOR.

Formerly No. 13. Chartered March 9, 1867.

Meets on the First and Third Wednesdays of each Month.

### OFFICERS:

HENRY HALL .....W.M.
JAMES SCOTT DEAN, P.M..S.W.
ARTHUR F. BALCOM.....J.W.
REV. JAS. R. McDONALD, P.M. ..... .....Treas.
EDW. W. DUNLOP, P.M....Secy.
HENRY C. LESLIE, P.M.....S.D.
LEANDER M. JOSEY.....J.D.
ANDREW ARCHIBALD .....I.G.
JOHN A. MALAY .....S. S.
CARL H. ANDERSSEN.....J.S.

ARHIBALD HALL, Tyler.

REV. ARTHUR H. TYRES, P. M., Chaplain.

### PAST MASTERS:

David W Archibald
Angus Cruickshanks
Finlay McMillan M D
Henry Hall
John W Hall
James Scott Dean
Edward W. Dunlop, M. D., P G S B
Rev J R MacDonald
Henry C Leslie
David Stech.

### MASTER MASONS:

Arenburg, Charles
Ashton, Nathaniel
Brenton, Andrew
Balcom, Henry J.
Balcom, Edward H.
Balcom, Reuben
Balcom, Ebenezer C
Balcom, John Henry
Brownell, Geo. King
Butler, Reuben John
Cruickshanks, J McG
Cruickshanks, James
Conrad, Robert S
Conrad, Harold L
Cooper, James
Dunn, George F
Darrach, Fred D
Fleet, Arthur W
Fisher, Owen Rippley
Glauson, John F.
Graham, Daniel
Getchell, Lysander W
Hall, Robert
Hall, Herman
Henry, Robert
Hilchie, Thomas H.
Hilchie, Charles A.
Hilchie, John Chas
Hogan, John P.
Jones, Harry Osmond
Kirker, Robt Dickie
Lewis, Geo E M
Leslie, Isaac J.

MASTER MASONS—(Continued).

Lowe, Elbridge
Martin, Robert
Moser, Daniel Henry
Malay, John Wm
Marks, Francis Lowell
Marks, Harry Allison
Miller, William
McCarthy, Parker P
McCarthy, John S
McCarthy, Howard P
McPhail, Archibald E
McLeod, James
McPherson, William
McDonald, James W
McInnis, Alfred
Newcomb, Ernest F
O'Leary, Henry
Parker, Joseph Fred
Prest, William A
Prest, Reuben W
Pye, Sidney E.
Routledge, Thomas G
Routledge, James H
Routledge, Clyde W
Sampson, Winslow F
Smith, Roy A Beverly
Smith, Geo Alexander
Smith, Alex Edwin
Tupper, William
Turner, David Joseph
Vogler, Harry J
Whitman, Wm L
Whitman, George A
Weeks, Samuel M

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## TRURO LODGE, No. 43.

TRURO.

Formerly No. 15. Established June 14, 1867.

Meets on the First Monday of each Month.

OFFICERS:

G. GRASSIE ARCHIBALD...W.M.
LESLIE C. HARLOW.....S.W.
GEORGE L. FISHER.....J.W.
B. F. PORTER, P.M.....Treas.
S. J. WADDELL, P. M....Secy.
WILBERT A. CREELMAN....S.D.
JAMES E. BARTEAUX.....J.D.
H. T. LAWRENCE, P.M.....I.G.
LEONARD R. KENT.....S.S.
ALFRED LANE .....J.S.

LORENZO VANCE, P. M., Tyler.

PAST MASTERS:

William M Blair
George P Nelson
Luther B Archibald, P G M
W E Logan, P S G W
Donald A. Fraser
Alex C McKenzie
Charles A. Kent
Charles M. Dawson
John P McDonald
W B Alley, P G W P D D G M
S J Waddell, P D D G M
Charles F W Bell
John Hay, P D D G M
H W Yuill, P G S
David A. Bishop
Warren Hill Spencer

PAST MASTERS—(Continued).

George W Henderson
Henry W Crowe P D D G M
Harvey C C Yuill
Walter H Buck
Walter Day Bowers
Brenton F Porter
Fred L Fuller
Abner W. Cummings
Lorenzo Vance
John Stanfield
Herbert V Harris, P G L
A. J. Hiltz
John W Logan, D D G M
George A Hall
Enoch Phillips
Thos W Blenkinsop
William M. Ferguson
Frank G Matthews

MASTER MASONS:

Anthony, John M.
Archibald, Rupert F
Archibald, Chas. A.
Archibald, Wm M
Archibald, P McG
Archibald, Edgar S
Armstrong, Chas A
Atkins, J M
Angwin, Jas W, D D S
Bacon, D M
Bentley, Edmund D
Benjamin, Embro D
Blair, James Edgar
Bayne, Alonzo R
Banks, Whitman, J.
Banks, Theodore P
Boyd, Robert S
Boston, Fred Myers
Burris, Nathan
Baird, Fred Cecil
Crowell, Frank
Clark, Thomas
Curtis, John E
Curtis, Scott
Chambers, Sylvester G
Cox, Robinson
Cox, Lyman W
Crowe, Joseph Hill
Christie, John
Christie, Louis M.
Champion, John B.
Coleman, Charles R
Cock, Herbert
Cummings, Ross
Crowe, Gordon B
Creelman, Job
Christie, Robert
Coulson, Jas Campbell
Dunbar, Wm R, M D
Davison, James E
Davison, Fred A
Dartt, Winford
Davison, F A
Dexter, Franklin
Dickson, T Gordon
Dunlap, Matthew H
Eaton, Harry F
England, Harry E.
Faulkner, Geo B
Fraser, James K
Forbes, Daniel
Gibson, Robt. T.
Goodwin, Duncan
Graham, John A
Grant, Hugh S.
Hannington, George L
Harris, Thos S H
Hanson, Rod McK
Hamilton, R S C
Hemmeon, Morley D
Hennessy, Thos W
Hill, George F
Heard, Oliver G
Higgins, Edwin C
Hayman, Alex H
Hunter, George A
Ingraham, Rev A E
Kinsman, F S, M D
Langille, Wm Alex
Lundstrom, J A
Leck, John
Miller, Brenton
Mack, James H K
Murray, William C
Moore, Percy Howard
Munro, Geo Albert
Matheson, Clifford A.
McCurdy, Robt. O.

MASTER MASONS—(Continued.)

McMullen, Frank A
McGregor, Edward H
McArthur Colin S, DDS
McKay, John K
McKay, William P
McDougall, Adam Roy
McDougall, Frank
McDougall, Isaiah
McDougall, Henry G.
McLeod, Chas W
McLeod George
McLeod, George J
McLaughlin, H
McKenzie, Marsden D
McKenzie George R.
McWilliams, George
McAuley, John
McCulloch, Stanley W
McElhinney, F W
McDonald, D G
McDonald, Robert
McDonald, Willis E
McDonald, Jas. W.
McDonald, T F, DDS
McPhie, William F
McWilliam, George
Nelson, Elias, Sr
Nelson, Elias, Jr
Nelson, W D
Nelson, Samuel S
Neil, John W.
Patton, John W T,MD
Patton, Howard
Parker, George
Pyatt, Henry
Phillips, Charles D
Richardson, Wm
Randall, E A, DDS
Rhind, James T
Rennie, Alex M.
Ross, Neil Sutherland
Rennie, Wm. H
Ross, Wm D
Ripley, Barry
Schurman, F B
Spencer, John W
Spencer, Lorenzo
Spencer, John C
Steeves, Merritt K
Stewart, Edwin R
Stewart, J W Johnson
Suttis, Arch'd James
Swan, James W
Tattrie, DaDnl. Arch
Taylor, Orlando B.
Taylor, Henry C
Vance, Almon B
Wilson, George J
Wintermute, Oren F
Walmsley, W P
Wilson, Frank Wm
Yuill, Peter S

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## POYNTZ LODGE, No. 44.

HANTSPORT.

Formerly No. 21. Established March 1867. Chartered Sept. 30, 1868.

Charter Surrendered 1897.

## TYRIAN YOUTH LODGE, No. 45.

GLACE BAY, C. B.

Formerly No. 1234, R. E. Established June, 1867.

Meets on the Fourth Tuesday of each Month.

OFFICERS:

PETER McKENZIE .....W.M.
JOHN M. McRITCHIE.....S.W.
GEORGE McLEOD .....J.W.
WILLIAM D. GRAHAM....Treas.
JOHN A. McASKILL .....Secy
LIONEL K. FRIZZLE.....S.D.
DANIEL McKEIGAN .....J.D.
G. B. PHILPOT .....I.G.
JOHN R. SHANK.....S.S.
J. A. STEWART INGRAHAM..J.S.

ALEX. YOUNG McDONALD, Tyler.

REV. THOMAS RING, Chaplain.

ANGUS D. McCUISH, Marshal.

PAST MASTERS:

William McKay, M D, P D G M
William Campbell
John C Mitchell
John Munroe
James W McKenzie
Archibald McQuarrie, P D D G M
Joseph R Blackett
Rod McNeil
Alexander McDonald
George B Bulmer
Angus McKeigan
John Glen Grant, P G S B
Fred W Armstrong
Matthew Brehaut
George S MacAulay
Sidney R McKay
Joseph R McKeen P S G W
John Doull
John Arthur McDonald
Joseph Kennedy
Fred W Green, M D

MASTER MASONS:

Adamson, John
Allen, Wells J
Andrews, Harry
Aldred, Frank John
Barrett Silby
Baxter, George
Baxter, John
Bigelow, Harry C
Brody, Hyman
Bramson, Bernard W
Bell, Daniel
Boch, Joseph
Blesedell, Rev James
Burchill, David M
Cameron, John McK
Cameron, Fraser
Campbell, Alex John
Clarke, Lewis

MASTER MASONS—(Continued.)

Calder, Jas Alex
Clarke, Henry Leroy
Clarke Wm. H.
Carter, Philip
Crozier, George H
Costey, George Alex
Colborne, Albert B
Cooke, Norman L
Carmichael, Charles
Chisholm, John J
Cameron, Daniel R
Cameron, Hugh
Campbell, Harry C
Chipman, Frank B A
Davidson, Hyman
Davidson, William A
Duchemin, Frank M.
Douglas, John Carey
Donalds, Leslie
Elman, Harry E.
Erb, Rev. Francis Otis
Evely, Leander
Evans, Robert James
Edwards, William
Ein, Solomon
Ein, Joseph
Ein, Hyman
Fraser, Thomas
Fried, Samuel
Fried, Max
Forbes, Rev. James A.
Forward, Frank L
Ferguson, Fred A
Ferguson, Donald H
Fraser, Kenneth W
Fraser, John A
Gilholmes Joshua A
Goodwin, Edward A
Green, Bernard
Greenburg, Harry
Grant, Donald A
Gray, David
Gray, James
Hitchins, Edwin C
Holmes, Oliver
Howie, James
Harrington, Gordon S
Jacobson, Rev Isaac
Keigan, George
Keddy, John Edward
Lighter, Frederick
Ludlow, William J
Leaman, John
Lang, John H
Layton, Rev Robt B
Morrison, Rory H
Morrison, John N
Mills, Colin Seymour
Malcolm, Ralph B
Moffatt, Frank E
Mills, Frederick
Martell, Lewis G
Mason, Chas William
Miller, Mark A
Muggah, Edward J
Mahoney, Thomas S
Moffatt, Warren G.
Matheson, Hugh
McLean, Lauchlin
McDonald, Alex
McDonald, W J
McDonald, Allan A
McDonald, Arch R
McDonald, Archie
McDonald, John
McDonald, F Angus
McIntyre, Donald
McAulay, Donald
McAulay, Robert A
McLean, Archibald
McDonald, Daniel A
McDonald, Norman
McLeod, Chas. Edw
McLeod, Donald M
McLennan, Roderick,
McSween, Angus
McKay, Daniel L
McIvor, Malcolm
McKenzie, Albert H
McKenzie, Donald K
McKenzie Duncan
McKenzie, Peter
McKenzie, Donald D
McKay, John
McKeigan, Angus
McKeigan, John
McKinnon, ,Rev D H
McManus, James
McNeil, Allan J
McNeil, Donald
McRae, Rev D Norman
McRitchie, Kenneth N
McRury, Laughlin
McCuish, Neil
McCuish, K A, M D
McKeen,R A H, M D
McAulay, John D
McAskill, John
McKinnon, Murdock
McPherson, Alexander
McPherson, Edward R.
Macbeth, Alexander
McQuarrie, Gilbert B
McGlashen, Rev J A

MASTER MASONS—(Continued.)

Nicholson, Daniel
Nicholson, Sylvanus K.
Nicholson, John A.
Nicholson, Lauchlin
Nicholson, Arch
Nesbit, John H
Oglivie, Peter E
Peters, O M
Peters, Samuel W
Pitcher, Norman C
Phillips, Lewis S
Palmer, George C
Plaunt, Harry P
Prothero, Evan
Robson, Joseph T
Robson, Robert
Robertson, Robert
Swallow, James H.
Stearnes, Wm. H.
Scott, George
Scott, Andrew J
Sheriff, John G
Slayton, Clarence E.
Siderski, Archibald
Sutherland, Fred H
Schelin, William C
Simonson, Fred C
Stockley, James
Squires, Arthur
Saunders, Geo Beaton
Stanley, Frank Joseph
Steele, Robt Danl
Taylor, Alvah E
Taylor, George W
Thurber, Ronald E.
Travis, Floyd Oliver
Townsend, Everett
Wilson, W David
Wilson,, Benjamin
White, Charles H
Wilson, John
Wolf, Morris
Whyte, John S
Wells, George L
Warren, Chris Benj
Warren, Everett
York, John D
Weir, Donald
Wilson, Neil

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## SOLOMON LODGE, No. 46.

PORT HAWKESBURY, C. B.

Formerly No. 19. Chartered March 13th, 1868.

Meets on the Tuesday of each Month nearest the full Moon.

OFFICERS:

REV. JOHN C. McLEOD....W.M.
ARTHUR H. CAMERON, P.M.S.W.
WM. HOWARD CLOUGH....J.W.
ANGUS A. McINTOSH.....Treas.
CHARLES REEVES .....Secy.
ADDISON D. MARTIN, P.M...S.D.
ROBERT W. MALCOLM.....J.D.
WILLIAM P. MILLS.....I.G.
JOHN J. HENNESSEY.....S.S.
WILLIAM A. McKAY.....J.S.

ALEX. McINTOSH, P. M., Tyler.

ALEXANDER BAIN P. M., Chaplain.

## PAST MASTERS:

Alex. Bain, P S G W
William Duff
James McDonald
Hugh McLennan
Alex McIntosh, P G S
Ronald J McDonald
John W Reynolds, P D D G M
Rev L H McLean
Theodore P Moffatt, P G S B
Arthur H Cameron
Daniel A. Morrison

## MASTER MASONS:

Anderson, Robert B
Archibald, Henry A
Bourinot, John C
Baillie, Alex G
Boucher, Sydney A
Blanchard, F H
Calder, Frederick
Clough, Charles D
Chapman, John F
Connacher, Albert T
Cameron, John J
Cutter, Clement G
Davis, Walter Forbes
Davis, Robt Daniel
Douglass, Havelock G
Ferguson, Alex H
Fair, Robert Russell
Gordon, Alexander R
Hill, John Kenneth
Hart, Abner J
Henderson, Sanford
Irish, Fred R
Martin, Peter
Martin, Nicholas
Mutch, Rev Robert
Morrison, Alexander J
Morrison, William E
Matheson, Charles
Murray, John G
McDonald, Alex H
McDonald, James H
McFadgen, Rory Alex
McPhie, James
McLeod, David A
McLeod, Alexander R
McLeod, Murdock A
McInnes, John M
McLean, Wm Alex
McKinnon, James
McKenzie, Angus S
McPherson, Farquhar
Oliver, John J A
Olsen, Andrew H
Parker, Rev W B M
Proctor, Robert W.
Proctor, John F
Ross, William M
Ross, George W
Swallow, Rev C W
Sutherland, A H
Stewart, John A
Van Aken, Lionel D
Walker, Joseph H
Walker, Peter James

## PHILADELPHIA LODGE, No. 47.

BARRINGTON.

Formerly No. 25. Chartered Dec. 11th, 1868.
Meets on the First Tuesday of each Month.

OFFICERS:

FRANK LESLIE WILSON W. M.
CHARLES D. CROWELL....S.W.
AND. C. ROBERTSON, P.M..J.W.
JOHN H. LYONS, P.M....Treas.
JAS. HENRY BANKS.....Secy.
C. AUGUSTUS FORBES, P.M.S.D.
ASHTON HOPKINS .....J.D.
WILSON C. TREFRY, P.M...I.G.
WILLIAM E. PHALEN.....S.S.
FRANKLIN B. HOPKINS....J.S.
JAMES SHAND, Tyler.
REV. GEO. WM. MILLER, Chaplain.

PAST MASTERS:

James Nelson Banks
Edwin S Goudey
John H Lyons
Wilson C Trefry
Paul E Crowell, P D D G M
Herbert H Banks
William Dixon
Charles A Goreham
Andrew C Robertson
George Stoddart
Eleazer Nickerson
John I. Hopkins
C Augustus Forbes
Ernest R Nickerson
Frank Leslie Wilson

MASTER MASONS:

Abbott, George E
Adams, Edgar
Banks, Gamaliel
Brannen, Wm W
Bellivieu, James
Black George A
Crowell, Seth Snow
Crowell, Archibald L
Chetwynd, Calvin
Dixon, Alton
Doane, Guildford
Goodwin, Albert
Goreham, Alexander
Hitchens, Walter G
Hopkins, Clifford E
Hogg, Fred H
Kendrick, Nehemiah
Lyons, Uriah H
Lyons, Loclan Wilson
Lyons, Reginald S
Lyons, Harry Gordon
Larkin, Ephriam
Lyons, Oscar
Malone, Stillman
Mood, Lewis
Mood, Frank
Nickerson, Eaton
Nickerson, Herman
Nickerson, Edward L.
Nickerson, Austin L
Nickerson, George
Nickerson, Frederic L
Nickerson, Joseph W
Smith, Colin Lester
Smith, Benjamin R
Smith, Edmund V
Smith, Walter L
Stoddart, Prince A
Snow, Wilbert Arthur

## WIDOW'S SON LODGE, No. 48.

### RIVER PHILIP.

Formerly No. 22. Chartered September 1st, 1868.

Meets on the First and Third Mondays of each Month.

OFFICERS:

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| AMOS. W. SCHURMAN.....W.M. | HENRY MOORING, P.M.....S.D. |
| FRED. W. PATTON, P.M....S.W. | PETER K. McDONALD.....J.D. |
| JAMES E. CARTER, P.M....J.W. | ..... ..... ..... ....I.G. |
| C. B. HEWSON, P.M.....Treas. | LOUIS RIPLEY .....S.S. |
| JOHN H. FISHER, P.M., Secy | RICHARD BARTON .....J.S. |

JAMES A. CARTER, Tyler.

JOHN VAN AMBURG, P. M., Chaplain.

PAST MASTERS:

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| Fred W Patton, P G S of W | James E Carter |
| John Van Amburg | Thomas Harrison |
| Henry Mooring | John H Fisher |
| Clement B Hewson, P G S | Louis Ripley |

Fred Roy Herritt

MASTER MASONS:

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| Colburne, Albert Blair | Jackson, Robert A | Keiver, Richard |
| Fraser, Archie | Kierstead, Rev J W | Purdy, Sydney |

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## ORIENT LODGE No. 49.

### HALIFAX.

This Lodge ceased working and 32 of its members affiliated with Burns Lodge, No. 10 March, 1877.

## WESTERN STAR LODGE, No. 50.

WESTVILLE

Formerly No. 24. Chartered December 11th, 1868

Meets on the Second Tuesday of each Month.

OFFICERS

JOSIAH L. CUNNINGHAM..W.M.
ROBERT LAUCHLAN .....S.W..
ANDREW ROY .....J.W.
JOSEPH EDWIN DARBY..Treas.
DUNCAN McGREGOR, P.M..Secy.
ROD FRASER JOHNSTON...S.D.
WILLIAM MORGAN .....J.D.
JNO. W. H. SUTHERLAND...S.S.
DAN. A. McKENZIE.....J.S.
THOMAS ROSS ..... ....J. S.

ROBERT F. KERR, Tyler.

REV. W. W. McNAIRN, P. M., Chaplain.

MURDOCK S. GRAY, P. M., Organist.

PAST MASTERS:

William Lorimer
Robert Gray
William Gray
John McDougall
James White
Samuel L Wilson
Roderick Fraser
Mark Connors, P D D G M
William Conn
William Maddin
Rev. W. W. McNairn
Hugh Matheson
William K. Denoon
Andrew W H McLeod
John Gray, Sr.
Daniel K McIntosh
James W Reid
Robert H Mackay
James Workman
John Gray, Jr
Edward Burrows
Thomas Floyd
Hugh Allan McQuarrie
Rev. A.H Denoon
Robert G. Lorimer
Duncan McGregor
Murdoch S Gray

MASTER MASONS:

Balfour, John Munro
Blackie, William D
Brown, Andrew W
Blackwood, Thomas
Burney, George W
Connors, Alexander D
Connors, Mark, Jr
Connors, Wm J
Chappell, Joseph
Crozier, James
Cowan, Jas. W
Cameron, Alex
Cassidy, James
Cumming, John D
Colquhoun, David M
Crockett, Daniel W
Carr, Hector
Dobson, Thomas
Denoon, James R
Dunbar, John Wesley
Dunbar, Daniel
Dunbar, John
Emery, Geo L
Fraser, Howard
Fraser, John Herbert
Fraser, Alexander
Fraser, Wm. G.
Fraser, John D. B.
Falconer, Hugh D
Falconer, Harold
Ferguson, Lorne G.,
Finlay, Charles
Finlayson, John N
Gray, Thomas J
Gray, Thomas
Grant, Thomas M
Gratto, Elwood
Hale, Thomas
Hamilton, Wm. M.
Johnson, Fraser
Johnson, Gavin
Lorimer, James
Lorimer, Adam
Lochead, David
Matheson, James Neil
Matheson, Alexander
Matheson, John D
Matheson, James
Matheson, Daniel
Munro, George E
Murray, Jas. Alex.
Moss, Samuel
Maddin, James W
Morris, George Henry
Morrison, James L
Munsie, Wm. Smith
McQuaig, Daniel
McDonald, John R
McDonald, Daniel P
McDonald, Daniel W
McDonald, David R
McDonald, Wm. F, MD
McDonald, John D
McDonald, John E
McDonald,, Robt Jas
McDonald, Robert A
McDonald, J Clyde, MD
McDonald, Danield K
McDonald, C. Henry
McKenzie, John A
McKenzie, J William
McKenzie, Alex David
McKenzie, Ken. John
McKeen, John D
McKeen, Charles R
McElvie, Guthrie
McNeil, Andrew
McNeil, James
McCoull, Chas Henry
McGregor, Hugh
McBean, Alex W
McKay, Murdoch
McLeod, Norman
McLeod, James
McLeod, Rufus C F
McIntosh, Jos H
McRae, John Duncan
McPherson, John W
McPherson, Jas B
Purvis, John J
Paton, James Ernest
Parry, Wm. Henry
Roy, Henry
Roy, William
Reid, Joseph S
Ross, Angus S
Saunders, HarryG
Stewart, Wm. J
Stewart, Geo F
Smith, John David
Salter, John James
Sutherland, Geo. M
Sutherland, Henry
Trites, Abraham L.
Tanner, Thomas
Wilson, Emerson
Wilson, John M.
Wilson, Samuel M
Wilson, Alex G
Wallace, Robert W
White, Edwin P

## EASTERN STAR LODGE, No. 51.

DARTMOUTH

Formerly No. 26. Chartered December 11th 1868

Meets on the Second Tuesday of each Month.

OFFICERS:

MALCOLM McMILLAN .....W.M.
LORNE R. HARTLEN.....S.W.
ALFRED CARTER .....J.W.
WM. G. MACNAB, P.M., ..Treas
GEO. A. STERNS, P.M.,.. Sec'y
FREEMAN D. HILTZ.....S.D.
WILLIAM McKENZIE .....J.D.
ALEX. P. HUTCHINSON.....I.G.
JAMES L. ORMAN.....S.S.
MAURICE E. WEBBER.....J.S.

GEORGE W. MAY, Tyler.

PAST MASTERS:

John B Coleman
James Simmonds, P D D G M
Joseph Howe Austen
William G Macnab
Edward P Forbes
George A Sterns
Percy Simmonds
Frank W Russell
John Chisholm
George N Roome
Colin Macnab
William H Sterns
J Edwin Sterns
Charles A Beck
W C Whidden
John S Misener
Berton Keyes
Alexander M Stuart
Montague W Waddell
John Lambert, Jr

MASTER MASONS:

Allen, Arthur C .
Beazley, William
Burgoyne, David
Bishop, Byron Oakes
Bishop, Watson L
Blyth, Wm. A
Bowden, Wm. A
Bowie, William
Bowes, Fred C
Calder, James Alex
Campbell, Colin
Chittick, Saml C M
Colter, James
Conrad, Aubrey J
Carter, Robt
Collins, William F
Dares, Salter B
Day, Archibald
Donaldson, Andrew
Donaldson, Everett J
Douglass, James R
Drury, John
Elliott, Collins
Emery, Arthur B
Evans, Wilson Preston
Foster, Wm. Gore
Forbes, Wesley N
Fraser, James
Hall, George A
Hall, Harold I

MASTER MASONS—(Continued.)

Harris, Chas E H
Henderson, Robt Alex
Herman, Fred W
Himmelman, Douglas S
Hines, Edward C
Hutchinson, Alex P
Hunter, Chas A
Jackson, Wm.
Johnson, Robert A
Koffman, David
Leighton, Robert
Mader, Joshua
Matheson, John
Miller, Willard
Misener, Geo W
Moir, John
Moore, Edward
McLean, Robert Burns
McLean, Chas Alex
McKay, Robert
Macnab, Edgar E
McCormack, John
McQuarrie, Alex
McPhee, George
Nichols, James
Preeper, Robert
Pickering, Wm.
Prescott, Clifford B
Patterson, Alexander
Patterson, Wm.
Robertson, Wm.
Ross, James
Sellars, Harvey W
Spriggs, Peter
Stapleton, Wm C
Stevens, Fred W
Stone, Robert
Stevenson, Selby
Thomas, S S
Walker, W. H.
Walker, Albert F
Watt, Hope F
Williams, Edward F
Wambolt, Samuel B
Woodall, Herbert
Webber, Jacob A
Young, Geo. Henry
Young, Archd C
Zinck, Cecil Edwd

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## HARMONY LODGE, No. 52.

AYLESFORD.

Formerly No.27 Chartered June 11th, 1869.

Meets on the First Monday of each Month.

OFFICERS.

FRED E. HARRIS .....W.M.
CHARLES BLACKBURN ....S.W.
RALPH NOBLE CLARK ....J.W.
JOHN C. WEST .....Treas.
WILLIAM HOLLAND .....Sec'y.
FREEMAN MEISTER .....S.D.
HOWARD BOWLBY .....J.D.
HENRY J. CHUTE, P.M., ...I. G.
DANIEL BOYD PARKER ....S.S.
ROWLAND S. TAYLOR.....J.S.

MATTHEW C. FOSTER, Tyler.

REV. D. McK. FARQUHAR, Chaplain.

PAST MASTERS:

Henry E Jefferson, P D D G M
Amos C Vanbuskirk
William R L Foster
Henry J Chute
Amos H Ewing, P G S
William R Bennett
Frank H Lowe, P D D G M
Walter E Saunders
Hartley S Jacques, M D
Lambert O Neilly
Archibald Foster
Charles B McIntrye
Edgar L Foster
Fred E Harris, P G S
Burgess McMahon
Harry E Sawyer
Albert E McMahon
Freeman Meister
Fletcher Northup

MASTER MASONS:

Banks, Stanley Fisher
Bradford, C. R.
Balcom, P M, M D
Balcom, Paul Parker
Brown, William
Bryden, James
Burns, Amos
Bishop, William Edgar
Chute, Silas P
Clem, Havelock
Davison, Milton
Foster, Geo E
Foster Matthews C
Fairn, Leslie R
Graves, Arch McD
Handley, Lorenzo D.
Journeay, George S
Kirkpatrick, Wallace
Meister, George
Morse, Thomas B
McGregor, Walter
McKay, Arnold Jenks
Neily, Ernest S
Norwood, Havelock H
Pineo, James Calder
Pineo George Edw
Palmer, Joseph
Reagh, John F
Smith, A W
Smith, Perley Avard
Selfridge, Arthur
Selfridge, Samuel S
Stewart, Harvey G
Williamson, Chas
White, John H
Whitman, Lewis R
Welton, James W
Woodworth, Abner
Woodworth, Laurie

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## HIRAM LODGE, No. 53.

GOLDENVILLE

Chartered September 14th, 1869.

Charter Surrendered October 9, 1889.

## KING SOLOMON LODGE, No. 54.

DIGBY

Chartered March 4th, 1870

Meets on the First Tuesday of each Month.

OFFICERS

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| JOHN FRED RICE ... .. | W. M. | PERCY WM. HOLDSWORTH | S.D. |
| STANLEY AUG. KEEN..... | S.W. | HARRY H. MARSHALL..... | J.D. |
| W. CARR WARRINGTON.... | J.W. | JOHN H. SYDA ..... | I.G. |
| GEORGE A. VYE ..... | Treas. | ALFRED D. DALEY..... | S. S. |
| ..... ..... ..... ..... | Secy. | THOS. E. G. LYNCH..... | J.S. |

HORACE W. BOWLES, Tyler.

PAST MASTER:

John Daley, P S G W
Harry B Short
Harry L Dennison
Harry E Jones
Edward Du Vernet, M.D.
William B Stewart
Louis H Morse, M D
Clarence Jameson
John Frederick Rice

MASTER MASONS:

Apt, John Davenport
Armstrong, Charles E.
Anderson, Howard
Dakin, Blair S
Dunbar, James
Dunbar, George W
Dillon, Daniel H
Erlam, Frank
Grierson, J Arthur
Hayden, David
Irving, James A
Keen, James M
Keans, Edward
Letteney, Fred M
Lewis, Charles F.
Marshall, James A
Morton, Rupert F
McNeill, J Boyd
McDonald, T. H., M D
Rice, Frand Ernest, MD
Sabean, Eben
Smith, Harry, A P
Wightman, George W

## MORIEN LODGE, No. 55.

PORT MORIEN, C. B.

Chartered March 4th, 1870.

Amalgamated With Thistle Lodge, No. 36, 1869.

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## HARMONY LODGE, No. 56.

PORT CLYDE, SHELBURNE CO.

Established, 1867. Chartered September 2nd, 1870

Charter Surrendered June 8th, 1892.

Charter Restored by Resolution of Grand Lodge, June 11th, 1908.

Meets on the First Monday of each month.

OFFICERS.

GEORGE B. SWAINE,....W. M. LESLIE W. RYER .....S. D.
HENRY S. NICKERSON ..S. W. FLETCHER B. McLARREN J. D.
STANLEY SWAINE .....J. W. CORNELIUS GREENWOOD I. G.
JAMES L. SWAINE .....Treas. DEAN LAWSON NICKERSON.S.S.
ZEPHANIAH NICKERSON .Secy. WILLIAM SMITH .....J.S.

JOSEPH SWAINE, Tyler.

REV. ARTHUR R. REYNOLDS, Chaplain.

PAST MASTERS:

George H Brunt George B Swaine

MASTER MASON:

Atwood, Homer D
Cox, Alexander
Crowell, William B
Densmore, James D.
Fallinsbee, George H.
Greenwood, Edward L.
Greenwood, Horace P.
Hagar, Chas. DeWolf
Hamilton, Adam B
Lyle, George Henry
McKay, Joseph H.
McKay, James Alex
Perry, Levi
Perry Anthony D.
Perry, Alexander H.
Perry, Isaiah Allen
Ross, William Lewis
Sutherland, Robert
Swaine, Knowles T.
Smith, William Leslie
Swaine, Herman
Thomson, Geo S
Wentzell, Lemuel

## TEMPLE LODGE, No. 57.

PORT MULGRAVE.

Established September, 1869. Chartered September 2nd, 1870

Charter Surrendered June 8th, 1892.

Charter restored by resolution of Grand Lodge June 11. 1909.

Meets on the First and Third Thursdays of each Month.

OFFICERS:

JAMES F. REEVES .....M.W.
WM. JOHN CAMERON .....S.W.
R. ALBERT SUTHERLAND..J.W.
WILLIAM A. HATTIE ....Treas.
WILLIAM L. IRISH.....Secy.
HENRY F. McKAY .....S.D.
FRANK L. HART .....J.D.
ALEXANDER REEVES .....I.G.
WM. STEAD BLACK.....S.S.
JOHN MAGUIRE .....J.S.

JOSEPH A. CESALE, Tyler.

NATHAN PUSHIE, Chaplain.

PAST MASTERS:

William S Wylde
Daniel Stewart
John McKenzie, M D
Chas. A. Crittenden

MASTER MASONS:

Hadley, George B
Hadley, Edgar L
Hagerty, Sydney Wm
Loggie, Ernest A
Maguire, Lorenzo R
McDonald, John A
Ross, James S
Reeves, Henry John
Sawyer, Robert J
Wilkinson, Alex J
Whyte, James

## KENTVILLE LODGE, No. 58.

KENTVILLE.

Chartered September 2nd, 1870

Meets on the Second Monday of each Month.

OFFICERS:

WILLIAM HENRY STARR..W.M.
ALFRED E. H. CHESLEY....S.W.
ROBERT B. WILSON.....J.W.
WILLIAM J. ROSS.....Treas.
H. B. WEBSTER, P.M.....Secy.
ROBERT B. BROWN.....S.D.
CLARENCE EDWIN RYAN...J.D.
JAMES H. STEVENSON.....I.G.
AUSTIN H. ROSS .....S.S.
WALTER A. BADHAM.....J.S.

ROSS CHIPMAN, Tyler.

REV. S. R. ACKMAN, Chaplain.

ERNEST J. DENTITH, Organist.

PAST MASTERS:

George R Sangster
J P Chipman P D D G M
Robert S Masters, P J G W
L DeV Chipman
H B Webster, M D, P D D G M
Walter M Carruthers
James N Fitch, M D
Charles Cochran
John H Dennison
Rev Isaac Brock, D D, P G C
William A. DeAubin
Charles S. Nixon
Harry S. Dodge, P.D.G.G.M.
Monson F Carroll
George C. McDougall
Arthur M. Shaw

MASTER MASONS:

Bentley, Percy R
Bowles, Harmen A
Brown, Robert B. R.
Burgess, Wm. Boyd
Campbell, John
Coffin, Geo Whitfield
Cox, Thomas W
Cox, Joseph, Howe
Corey, Frank Lorne
Clarke, Blake
Clarke, Harry
Cross, John Melvin
Cross, Spurgeon L
Davis, Geo. Loughed
Dennison, Frank E
Dentith, Robert A.
Dorring, Edward S
Dick, John Quentin
Dodge, Cutler L
Dow, John
Eaton, David H
Edwards, Joseph P
Fuller, John A
Graves, Emerson F
Kinsman, Joseph A
Kinsman, Percy D V
Lloyd, John Inglis

MASTER MASONS—(Continued).

Langille, Charles E
Lydiard, Thomas A.
McRae, William Arch
Margeson, Norris E.
Nichols, Arthur M.
Porter, Willard E
Parker, Rupert U
Pratt, Harry A
Pilkie, Albert E
Pentz, Cecil Lorne
Reid, W Duncan
Rockwell, Lee, M D
Rockwell, Chas F
Robinson, Fred Leslie
Spinney, Joseph Howe
Taylor, T Harry
Urquhart, Fred C
Webster, Barclay
Webster, Percy Gordon
Wood, John W
Wiltshire, Frank
Yould, William

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## MANITOBA LODGE, No. 59.

NEW GLASGOW.

Consolidated with Albion Lodge, No. 5, August 27th, 1871.

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## LEAMAN LODGE, No. 60.

PETITE REVIERE.

Charter Surrendered June, 1874.

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## CLARKE LODGE, No. 61.

CHESTER.

Chartered March 1st. 1871.

Meets on the Second Thursday of each Month.

OFFICERS:

HENRY A. HILTZ.....W.M.
AUSTIN J. EVANS .....S.W.
WILLIAM A. DYMOND ....J.W.
ALBERT G. MILLETT....Treas.
EDWIN D. LORDLY, P.M..Secy
HUGH STANFORD .....S.D.
NORMAN CHANDLER .....J.D.
MARTIN EVANS .....I.G.
OWEN W. ZINCK.....S.S.
CONSTANT C. CHURCH, P.M.J.S.

OMRI MORLAND, Tyler.

REV. A. M. BENT, Chaplain.

PAST MASTERS:

William G Lavers
Edwin D Lordly
Constant C Church
Arthur M Hebb, M D
Delbert Webber
Henry A Hiltz
William Owen Zinck
Austin J Evans

MASTER MASONS:

Barkhouse, Alfred S
Bradbury, Robert W
Corkum, Alfred T
Coolen, Simeon J
Corkum, Colin C
Croft, Lawson S
Hubley, Hibbert
Johnson, Robt
Larder, Clarence A
Larder, John Cecil
Morse, Geo R, M D
Millett, Rupert
McLean, Charles O
Norwood, Edm B, M D
Nass, Herbert C
Robinson, Nathanial J
Schnare, Amos
Weagle, Rev James A
Zinck, Hugh F

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## TAYLOR LODGE, No. 62.

LOCKEPORT.

Dispensation, September 27th, 1871 Chartered June 6th, 1872.

Meets on the Fourth Tuesday of each Month.

OFFICERS:

JAMES R. FRIZZLE .....W.M.
BURNS W. PIERCE.....S.W.
FRANK ALVIN FIRTH.....J.W.
WINSLOW McMILLAN....Treas.
JAMES R. RUGGLES P.M., Secy
FENWICK FARRINGTON ...S.D.
WILLARD DAY .....J.D.
HOWARD M. ALLEN .....I.G.
JAMES YOUNG .....S.S.
ELISHA COOKE .....J. S.

WILLIAM JONES, Tyler.

BRADFORD JOHN PORTER, Chaplain.

PAST MASTERS:

Jacob G Locke
Wynne Johnstone
James R. Ruggles, P D D G M
Henry R L Bill
Robt. Bruce McDonald

MASTER MASONS:

Allaby, Albert E.
Allen, Stephen H
Belliveau, Israel
Benham, Thomas J
Capstick, E A
Copeland, Thomas
Decker, Charles M
Doleman, Allen L
Day, Alexander
Day, Edward W
Dash, H C
Giffin, Atwood W
Harding, Malcolm K
Harding, John B.
Hiltz, Edward L
Huskins, James A
Hupman, Roland
Kohlar, Frank
Locke, Stanley
Lewis, Wentworth B
Lloyd, Robert R
Mason, Ernest S
Murphy, John
Matthews, Willard M
McDonald, Wm W
McDonald, Robert
Page, Enos W
Page, Joseph H
Peterson, David
Stephens, Othniel
Stephens, James
Story, Herbert W
Symonds, Geo W
Warner, D Victor
Winslow, Robert D
Whynot, Alex N
Williams, Wm A

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## CORINTHIAN LODGE, No. 63.

GREAT VILLAGE.

Dispensation dated October 26th, 1871. Chartered June 5th, 1872.

Charter and Lodge Property destroyed by fire 12th November, 1889, then ceased working.

Renewal of Charter ordered by Grand Lodge, 11th, June, 1895.

Meets on the First Thursday of each Month, on or before full Moon.

OFFICERS:

J. THOMAS DINSMORE....W.M.
WM. FULTON MURPHY.....S.W.
AMOS A. HILL .....J.W.
WM. M. URQUHART.....Treas.
H. M. SPENCER, P. M....Secy.
THOS. ROSS JOHNSON, P.M..S.D.
JOHN MARGESON PALLON..J.D.
..... ..... ..... .....I.G.
ARTHUR L. LASKY .....S. S.
PERCY GARFIELD SMITH...J.S.

THOMAS W. CORBETT, P.M., Tyler.

ROBERT McLEOD, P.M., Chaplain.

PAST MASTERS:

Mitchell Cook
John A Fraser
Miner S Dickson, M D
Robert McLeod
Herman M. Spencer, G S
Thomas W Corbett
Amos Corbett
Charles L. Nelson
Thomas Ross Johnson, M D

MASTER MASONS:

Beckwith, Samuel
Cummings, David M
Davidson, Allan A
Freeman, Chas, H.M.D.
Fulton, Leander John
Fulton, Seymour A
Geddes, John J
Halliday, Douglas
Lewis, Alexander
Marsh, William A
Marsh, Jas H
Morrison, J Bayne
Nelson, Edgar E
Nickerson, Herman W
Sinclair, Ernest E
Thompson, Edson E
Urquhart, Wm M

## RICHMOND LODGE, No. 64.

ARICHAT, C. B.

Dispensation granted January 6th, 1872. Chartered June 5th, 1872.
Charter Surrendered June, 1891.

## FREEPORT LODGE, No. 65.

FREEPORT.

Chartered June 5th, 1872.

Charter forfeited by Resolution of Grand Lodge, June, 1879.

Charter restored by Resolution of Grand Lodge, June 12th, 1907.

Meets on the Friday nearest full moon.

OFFICERS:

GEORGE C. STEVENS.....WM.
EDWARD EATON .....S.W.
REUBEN H. THURBER.....J.W.
GEORGE A. THURBER....Treas.
RALPH H. HAINS .....Secy.
WM. ALEX. PUGH.....S.D.
WILLIAM FINIGAN .....J.D.
BRADFORD S. BISHOP, M.D..I.G.
RALPH B. EATON.....S.S.
EDWARD THOMAS .....J.S.
EDWIN HAINS Tyler.
CHAS. AVARD HAINS, Chaplain.
CHAS. ROLAND TEED, Organist.

PAST MASTERS:

William Cecil Harris, M D  Edward Chas. Bowers

MASTER MASONS:

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|---|---|---|
| Bailey George | Hains, Chas W | Outhouse, Hanford |
| Barkhouse, Louis F | Hains, Lindsay E | Peters, John N |
| Brown, St. Clair | Israel, Albert | Perry, Wm Parker |
| Cann, St Clair | Lent, George | Powell, Bayard |
| Cochran, George | Lent, Francis B. | Shortcliffe, James M |
| Ellis, Elmer A | Mason, Rev. Thomas | Sollous, Churchill |
| Glaven, Percival | McKay, Joseph | Thurber, Samuel |
| Hains, Milton F. | McDormand, John | Westcott, Austin R |
| Hains, Arthur F. | Outhouse, Lyons | Wyman, William |

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## SIRCOM LODGE, No. 66.

WHYCOCOMAGH, C. B.

Dispensation granted June 24th, 1872.  Chartered June 4th, 1873.

Meets on the First Thursday of each Month.

OFFICERS:

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| ALBERT E. WATTERS....W.M. | VINCENT M. LINDSAY.....S.D. |
| THOMAS MITCHELL .....S.W. | JOHN JAS. FRASER.....J.D. |
| DANIEL MACDONALD .....J.W. | CECIL GREENE .....I.G. |
| DUNCAN S. CARMICHAEL.Treas. | PHILIP H. WATTERS.....S.S. |
| McKAY MATHESON .....Secy. | JOHN K. McDONALD, P.M....J.S. |

FRED J. McKINNON, Tyler.

HUGH MACDONALD, Chaplain.

JAMES McKINNON, Organist.

PAST MASTERS:

Daniel McDonald, M. D.  John K McDonald
Albert E Watters

MASTER MASONS:

Fader, Alex. Calvin
Hart, Jacob S
Kenedy, William
Morrison, Ronald H
McDonald, H N, M D
Macdonald, Jas Gordon
McLean, Daniel
McLaughlin, Wm. R.
McKenzie, Wm. R
McKinnon, Hector
McKinnon, L John
McKinnon, Hugh
McLean, Alex. S
McLellan, Daniel
McQueen, John W
McQueen, Angus
McMillan, Hardy
McMillan, Chas. A
McNeil, John D
McPherson, Alfred
McPhail, Duncan
Ross, Murdoch H
Swain, Ephriam E
Watters, David

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## MINAS LODGE, No. 67.

PARRSBORO.

Dispensation granted July 11th, 1872 Chartered June 4th, 1873.

Meets on Third Monday of each Month.

OFFICERS:

REV. FRED. M. YOUNG....W.M.
ADAM E. CURRIE .....S.W.
ROBT. E. TUCKER .....J.W.
WM. J. GIBSON, P. M....Treas.
C. C. LANGILL.....Secy.
HENRY C. JENKS, P. M., ..S. D.
ALEX. STEWART WEBB....J.D.
JULES C. CHOISNET..... I. G.
PERCY LAWRENCE SPICER.S.S.
ROBERT S. KERR .....J. S.

JAMES W. RUTHERFORD, P. M., Tyler.

REV. GEO. BACKHURST, Chaplain.

PAST MASTERS:

Joshua L Corbett
Simeon Jenks
W Rufus Huntley
William J Gibson
Fred A Corbett, M D
Henry C Jenks
Wells Cole
James W Rutherford
Horace W McKenna
Robert Aikman
John H Cameron
John C McDougall, M D
Joseph Hayes, M D
Johnson Spicer
James W Kirkpatrick
John E Dean

MASTER MASONS:

Allen, Albert
Adams, W Humphrey
Bentley, Lloyd O
Cameron, Joshua W
Benjamin, Magnus
Bentley, Geo Edwd
Bentley, Freeland M
Buchanan, George
Cochrane, John W
Cook, Clinton
Dexter, Wm Carter
Durant, Claude H
Durant, William F
Florence, Rev E W
Howard, Charles S
Jensen, Gullick N
Kerr, Gesner
King, B D
Knowlton, Charles T
Lamb, William
Love, Charles
McKay, Thos Bruce
Pettis, Johnson R
Reid, Edward R
Salter, Charles W
Salter, John T
Salter, Stewart E
Soley, Stanley J
Smith, Aubrey A
Thorne, John
Ward, John W
Wasson, Edward
Willar, Samuel James
Webb, Israel Duncan

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## CURREN LODGE, No. 68.

HOPEWELL.

Dispensation granted March 17th,1873. Chartered June 3rd, 1874.

Amalgamated with Keith, No. 23, December 24th, 1895.

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## CHARITY LODGE, No. 69.

MAHONE.

Dispensation granted December 22nd, 1874. Chartered March 27th, 1877.

Meets on the Third Tuesday of each Month.

OFFICERS:

WILFRED COCHRANE, M.D.W.M.
HARRY L. MITCHENER....S.W.
REV. BRUCE D. KNOTT....J.W.
WILLIAM F. JOUDREY....Treas.
REGINALD E. HYSON P.M., Sec.
FREEMAN SLAWENWHITE .S.D.
DAVID ZINK, P.M.....J.D.
W. J. H. EISENHAUER, P.M..I.G.
ARTHUR HILTZ, P.M.....S.S.
ARTHUR BURGOYNE, P.M...J.S.

REV. EDWARD A. HARRIS, P. M., Chaplain.

JAMES REEVES, P.M., Tyler.

PAST MASTERS:

John W Mills
James Baggett
Nathan Hiltz
Arthur Hiltz
Enoch Mason
William N Dalton
Anthony Langille
Warren J H Eisenhauer.
Freeman J Ernst
James Winters
Arthur Burgoyne
Willoughby Brent, M D
Charles E Cushing
David Zinck
George A Slawenwhite, P J G D
Rev. Edward A. Harris
James Reeves

MASTER MASONS:

Bruhm, Reuben
Burgoyne, A Geo
Ernst, Willis A
Foster, Rev Jas L S
Faulkner, E R, M D
Ham, Benjamin
Hyson, George H
Kaulback, John H
Kedy Casper H
Kedy, John Augustus
Kaiser, George M
Langille, Azzan A
Longley, William H
Lantz, Alister E
Meisener, Leander
Nichols, Thomas G
Slawenwhite, Freeman
Smeltzer, Harold
Wentzell, Enos
Wentzell, Robert E
Zink, Cecil Edward

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## LAURIE LODGE, No. 70.

SPRINGHILL.

Dispensation granted March 12th, 1875. Chartered June 7th, 1876.

Meets on the First and Third Saturdays of each Month.

OFFICERS:

GEO. ROBERT OULTON....W.M.
CHARLES M. MARTIN.....S.W.
JAMES R. PRICE.....J.W.
GEO. J GWILLIAM, P.M,..Treas.
CHAS. J. ALLBON, P. M.,.. Secy
JAMES LANCE HUNTER....S.D.
JERRY L. LONSBERY.....J.D.
SAMUEL RUSSELL .....I.G.
BEDFORD ALLEN .....S.S.
JAS. WILLIAM WILSON.....J.S.

GORDON ARCHIBALD, Tyler.

REV. WILLIS JAMES LAYTON, Chaplain.

PAST MASTERS:

Angus A McKinnon
R H Cooper P D D G M
William Conway
Hugh Sutherland
John Hargreaves
John J. McKenzie.
William D Matthews
James Cottendon
George J Gwilliam, P G S
Charles J Allbon
Samuel Price
Donald Gillis.
John Graham
Watson McK Ross

MASTER MASONS:

Anderson, David
Alexander, John Geo.
Barton, Albert
Bradley, Edward
Bransfield, John
Blue, Malcolm
Beaton, John E
Baker, Henry W
Bentley, Basil James
Bruce, Robert W
Bent, E A
Broad, Joseph
Bunten, Wallace
Broidy, Jacob Isaac
Broidy, Samuel
Bond, Wm Wesley
Bool, Harold McK
Brown, Charles S
Burke, Aaron S
Cook, Joseph
Cameron, Alex V
Campbell, John A.
Chase, Benjamin F.
Carter, Robt M
Canning, William
Clarke, William E
Conliffe, Frederick
Crawford, Henry W
Conway, George
Davidson, James
Davidson, Samuel H
Davis, George
Davison, John
Daly, Joseph
Fraser, Simon
Fraser, Angus
Fraser, James E
Forbes, Geo O'Brien
Foster, Kent
Gillespie, Jas H
Gwilliam, Ernest
Goldenburg, David
Giles, Oscar L
Hale, Thomas
Hall, Arthur
Hargreaves, Chris
Hargreaves, Thos. J.
Hunter, Joseph C
Harrison, John F
Hoeg, Martin L
Hoeg, Verenous C.
Hutchins, Jas Edw
Irvine, John
Isern, Henry Richd
James, Richard
Johnson, Anthony
Jewkes, Arthur R
Jones, Samuel
Jones, Herbert W
Lorimer, William
Lorimer, Henry
Long, Thos. Geo.
Lockhart, James
Lambert, Hugh
Murray, Hugh G
Marcus, Samuel L
Marr, William
Moorehouse, Joseph
Moss, David T
Moss, Joseph B
Muirhead, Henry T
Munro, Ernest Fraser
McInnes, Wm S
McLeod, Walter H
McKenzie, Henry A
McKay, Geo. E
McPherson, Wm A
McPherson, Alex E
McArthur, Malcolm
McLean, David
McLeod, Frank K
McLeod, John C
McSavaney, David
McLellan, Henry D
Nelson, Charles
Nicholson, William
Oakley, John

MASTER MASONS—(Continued).

Olsen, Chas Fred
Price, David
Potter, Edward A
Perrin, Henry
Ritchie, John James
Ritchie, Frank
Ripley, Austin G
Russell, S. Garfield
Scott, James
Sutherland, Jas. A, MD
Sutherland, Stanley R
Sweet, William
Shaw, Alexander
Small, Thomas
Smith, Joseph H.
Smith, George L
Somers, Arthur L
Sprague, Malcolm H
Shenton, Henry W
Selkirk, John
Swift, John
Terris, Samuel H
Terris, Seaman
Turner, John
Turner, George H
Urquhart, Alex James
Watkinson, John
Wilson, John W
Wilson, William A
Wilson, Garfield
Wilson, William B.
Williams, Thos. H.
Wadman, John W
Wetherbee, Corey
Wardrope, M J, M D
Yeadon, Herbert

## GRANVILLE LODGE, No. 71.

NEW CALEDONIA.

Dispensation granted March 24th, 1875. Chartered June 7h, 1876. This Lodge amalgamated with Annapolis Royal Lodge, No. 33, February, 1887.

## EASTERN LIGHT LODGE, No. 72

GUYSBOROUGH.

Dispensation granted March 30, 1875 Chartered June 6th, 1876. Meets every Thursday.

OFFICERS:

ALEX J. O. MAGUIRE ..W. M.
WM. ERNEST SCOTT.....S.W.
GEORGE Y. GRANT, P.M....J.W.
LEWIS E. HART, P. M....Treas.
J. AVARD FULTON P. M., ..Secy
CHAS. O. MAGUIRE.....S.D.
WILLIAM H. PEART.....J.D.
MILTON B. SCOTT.....I.G.
FRED. D. CUMMINGS.....S.S.
ROBT. H. MORRISON, P.M....J.S.

FREEMAN MYERS, Tyler.

PAST MASTERS:

George W Scott, P D D G M
Alex J O Maguire
Moses C Scott
Lewis E Hart
George Y Grant, P D D G M
Robert H Morrison
Charles S Elliott
Guy P Scott
Jos Avard Fulton
William Whitman
Burton J Hadley

MASTER MASONS:

Aikens, Alex Edwd.
Atwater, Joseph J
Atwater, Charles J
Atwater, Harry B
Bearse, Harris E
Croft, Rev W J
Dickinson, S S
Ferguson, William A
Harris, William S
Hart, Parker Bruce
Hogan Rev. Jas B
Horton, William S
Luddington, Chas A
Kline, William G
Myers, John C
Matthews, Robert T
Marshall, Cutler J
McBain, Alex Ross
Parks, Thomas G A
Peart, Stewart C
Peart, Edward C.
Roberts, Alexander
Scott, George F
Scott, Chas Bruce
Smith, Philip T
Tanner, Leander F
Webber, William G

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## IONIC LODGE No. 73.

MIDDLETON.

Dispensation granted April 2nd, 1875. Chartered June 7, 1876.

Meets on the Tuesday night before full Moon.

OFFICERS:

CHARLES E. JUBIEN.....W.M.
HERBERT LAYTON .....S.W.
IRA D. PARKER.....J.W.
THOMAS R. JONES.....Treas.
FRANK S. MERRITT.....Secy.
OBED. P. GOUCHER.....S.D.
JOHN B. JEFFERSON.....J.D.
R. H. CHIPMAN, P. M., ..I. G.
ELIAS VAN B. THOMAS....S.S.
HORTON W. PHINNEY .....J.S.

W. W. DODGE, P.M ..... Tyler.

REV. GEO. L. McCAIN, Chaplain.

WILLIAM E. OUTHIT, Organist.

W. C. FEINDDELL, P.M., Marshal.

## PAST MASTERS:

Fred Leavitt
John H Charlton
Arthur P Dodge
William W Dodge
Norman G Charlton
Angus J. Morrison, P J G W
George Balsar
R H Chipman
W C Feindel
Harry E Reid
James A Gates
S N Milltr M. D.
Charles J Wiswell
Guilford D Morse
Charles E. Healy
Fred L Shaffner, P D D G M
Fitch Barteaux
N F Marshall
George H Vroom
Norval H Parsons
Willard F. Read, M. D.
John H Potter

## MASTER MASONS:

Barteaux, A B
Barteaux, George M
Borden, Perry
Coulston, Asaph Neil
Crowe, Gordon W
Daniels, Alister A
Elliott, Joseph Howe
Elliott, Percival St C
Fitz Randolph Wm
Healy, Henry G
Harris, George
Harris, Fred L
Jacques, Henry A
Johnson, William E
Leckie, John A
Marshall, M. Parker
Marshall, Jas S
Martin, John Finlay
Mulhall, W J
Miller, James Percy
Montgomery, C W
McGranahan, R A
Neily, Harry P.
Parker, Elmore W
Parker, Wm. Clark
Phinney, Norman H
Potter, John A.
Puttner, Harold F
Rutherford, Wm S
Reid, Aubrey M
Ray, Norman
Ramsay, Rev Jas A
Roop, John Moore
Roop, Fred H
Smith, Rev Henry B
Stevenson, Andrew C
Stevenson, Andrew
Spurr, Edgar Smith
Strong,, Percy T
Saunders, Lewis, DDS
Sponagle, Jno A, M D
Tripp, John Alfred
Webster, Rev Fred M
Weir, Harold McIver
Whitman, Geo C
Young, Lemuel P

## NORTH STAR LODGE No. 74.

LONDONDERRY.

Dispensation granted October 9th, 1875. Chartered June 7th, 1876.

Meets on the First Thursday of each Month.

OFFICERS:

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| WILLIAM BROWN | W.M. | WALTON K. TIBBERT | S. D. |
| J. PLIM. EDWARDS, P.M. | S.W. | LEMUEL PERROT | J.D. |
| HUGH E. CALKIN | J.W. | | I.G. |
| WM. G. H. BRAINE | Treas. | VERNON W. PARRISH | S.S. |
| HENRY C. DUNLAP | Secy. | WILLARD P. POWERS | J.S. |

WM. DAVID COCKELL, P. M., Tyler.

PAST MASTERS:

R C R Stephens
Thomas Delaney
John B Christie
John McInnes
J Plimsoll Edwards
William Frost
Charles L Jobb
John Edward Davis
Rev Wm Driffield, P C G
Minor S Dickson

MASTER MASONS:

Atkinson, George
Bigney, J. Shenton.
Brooking, William A
Beatty, George
Conrod, Clarence C.
Delay, Thomas
Davis, William
Dunlop, Fred T
Esau, Jonah
Fletcher, R P
Fulton, Thomas T
Jobb, J Gordon
Langdon, Richard
Lawlor, John D
Meissner, Carl A
Murray, John C
Munro, Geo L
Newhook, John R
Orchard, Lawrence B
Patriquin, Howard
Porter, George H
Phillips, David A
Reeves, Edward
Ross, Rev Wm A
Ross, John A
Stamper, J R
Stevens, W Martin
Stephens, Marquis L
Shepherdson, Rev. J. W
Tabor, David
Tannehill, Robt E
Turner, Walter

## WIMBURN LODGE, No. 75

OXFORD.

Dispensation granted October 19th, 1877. Chartered June 6th, 1878.

Meets on Second and Fourth Fridays of each Month.

OFFICERS:

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| EDWIN H. MOFFATT.....W.M. | HARRY S. SMITH P.M., ...S D. |
| SELWYN J. DOWNING.....S.W. | CHAS. GUY BLACK.....J.D. |
| WILLIAM DUNSMORE, P.M..J.W. | ..... ..... ..... ... ....I.G. |
| A. B. COLBURNE, P. M...Treas. | ARCHD. DUNSMORE, P.M....S.S. |
| RUPT. S. THOMPSON, P.M.Secy. | ..... ..... .....J.S. |

EDGAR HUNTER, P. M., Tyler.

PAST MASTERS:

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| Harry S Smith | Archibald Dunsmore |
| William Dunsmore | William Oxley |
| Amos B Colburne | Rupert S Thompson |
| A S Mackintosh | John Edward Black |
| Charles H Oxley | Edgar Hunter |

MASTER MASONS:

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| Babbitt, George W | Morrison, Dan N, MD | Wood, Charles E. |
| Henley, John M | McArthur, Alex R | Wood, David H |
| Kanter, Bennett | Rosenhek, Samuel | Wathen, George A |
| Louther, C H | Thompson, Chas O | Webb, David Hibbert |

## WALLACE LODGE, No. 76.

WALLACE.

Dispensation granted October 24th 1879. Chartered June 2nd, 1880.

Meets on the Monday or before the Full Moon of each Month

OFFICERS:

REV. ALEX. L. McKAY....W.M.
HERBERT W. SMITH.....S.W.
LUTHER K. GULLENS.....J.W.
ROBERT E. NELSON, P.M.Treas.
JAMES T. CHAMBERS.....Secy.
GEO. BLAIR BRUCE.....S.D.
DANIEL McLEOD .....J. D.
A. M. PEERS, P. M.....I.G.
ARTHUR DEWAR .....S.S.
JOHN M. CHARMAN.....J.S.

ASA D. ARCHIBALD, P.M., Tyler

REV. F. J. PENTELOW, Chaplain.

PAST MASTERS:

Joseph L McKim, P S G D
A M Peers, P G S
J H Lantz
Alex G MacIntosh
Robert S Flinn
Alex D Macfarlane
Asa D Archibald
Charles A Davis
Rufus Brown
Robie D Bentley, M D
S G W Morris, M D

MASTER MASONS:

Charman, F D, M D
Blair, Robert
Blackie, Fred Danl
Cooper, George C
Duncan, William
Henderson, Clarence L
Morris, Arthur E
Mitchell, Robert
Mitchell, Robt Jas
Macfarlane, Thos W
Macnab, J Harvey
McLean, Kenneth R
McKim, Laurie H.
McKenzie, Edwin S
Oglivie, Thos McCurdy
Teed, William E .

## HUDSON LODGE, No. 77.

THORBURN, PICTOU CO.

Dispensation Dated May 15th, 1881. Chartered June 7th, 1882.

Meets on the Fourth Friday of each Month.

OFFICERS:

FREDERICK B. DAY.....W.M.
GEO. MURRAY FISHER.....S.W.
ROBERT GOW, M.D.....J.W.
DAVID I. JOHNSTONE, P.MTreas.
JAS. X. MACDONALD.....Secy.
GEO. F. CUNNINGHAM.....S.D.
ROBERT O. McPHERSON....J.D.
ALLAN WOODIN .....I.G.
JAS. DAVID SINCLAIR.....S.S.
MILTON H. CUNNINGHAM...J.S.

JOHN J. SUTHERLAND, Tyler.

DANIEL CAMERON, P. M., Chaplain.

ALEXANDER W. FRASER, P. M., Organist.

PAST MASTERS:

Daniel Cameron
John C Munroe
Alex McKinnon
Alex A Stewart
James D Robertson
David I. Johnstone
Hugh A McDonald P G P
Andrew Reeves
Alex. Wm. Fraser.
W T Bruce McDonald
Henry H Cameron

MASTER MASONS:

Blackwood, Thomas
Cameron, Harold
Flynn, Thos. Ed.
Fraser, Robert P
Fraser, Andrew
Grant, Hugh McL
Livingstone, Allan
McKay, Thomas T
McKenzie, Duncan A
McLaren, Thomas
McLean, John Jas
McDonald, Simon
McDonald, John Jas
McDonald, John G
McMillan, Daniel W
McGregor, John
McPherson, Donald C
McPherson, John W
Robertson, Montague A
Sutherland, George
Woodin, William
Wilkes, John Wm

## MECHANICS' LODGE, No. 78.

CALEDONIA, QUEENS COUNTY.

Dispensation June 1st, 1887. Chartered June 8th, 1888.

Meets on the Second Thursday of each Month.

OFFICERS:

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| JOHN D. CHUTE | W. M. | ADELBERT D. FREEMAN | S.D. |
| ZAETH MINARD | S.W. | ROREY M. SMITH | J.D. |
| EDWIN DUNLOP | J.W. | CHAS. W. DOLLIVER P.M., I. G. | |
| GEORGE W. RAFUSE | Treas. | ELMER FREEMAN | S.S. |
| CLIFFORD E. DEXTER | Secy. | GEORGE LOUIS BENT | J.S. |

RICHARD F. DOUGLAS, Tyler.

REV. CHAS. W. PORTER-SHIRLEY, Chaplain.

PAST MASTERS:

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|---|---|
| Sydney Chute | Nathaniel Smith |
| Charles W Dolliver | John D Chute |

MASTER MASONS:

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|---|---|---|
| Anderson, Lewis M. | Gates, E Randall, M D | Minard, Alonzo |
| Brown, Edwin M | Harlow, David W | Morash, Robert C |
| Freeman, Harvey | Horton, Charles | McLellan, Howard |
| Freeman, Bradford W | Hunt, James B | Patterson, Joseph A |
| Freeman Edward Jos | Hunt, Richd. Leigh | Smart, Gordon C |
| Foster, Milton | Lewis, Freeman | Smith, Pittman |
| Gates, Law Van B | Murley, Harlan E | Smith, Frederick |

## CANSO LODGE, No. 79.

### CANSO.

Dispensation June, 1888. Chartered June 14th, 1889.

Meets on the First Friday of each Month.

### OFFICERS:

WILLIAM J. BROWN.....W.M.
CHARLES BELLAMY .....S.W.
ALEX. MILLER DAVIS.....J.W.
H. P. MOFFATT, P.M., ....Treas
S. F. NEWNHAM P.M.....Secy.
HARRY L. TATE .....S.D.
DAVID H. RATTRAY.....J.D.
PERCY BOOTH .....I.G.
FRED J. DEMONT, P.M.....S.S.
EBENEZER A. BOYLE.....J.S.

DAVID A. FRASER, Tyler.

REV. RICH. M. LEIGH, P. M., Chaplain.

### PAST MASTERS:

William J Brown
John W Lawson
John Fotherill, P D D G M
William T White
Herbert E Wetmore
Fred J DeMont
Frank G Burstall
S Frederic Newnham
Harding P. Moffatt
William A Morgan, D D G M
Rev Richard M Leigh

### MASTER MASONS:

Anderson, Thomas H
Clark, Alvin Hunter
Duff, James
Dunham, Chas B
Ellis, Russell
Folmate, Cranswick H
Foden, Arthur
Foster, Harold
Gerrard, Frank B
Hemming, John B
Hastie, Christopher
Myers, George W
MacIntyre, James
McKenzie, J. J.
Ogilvie, Jas H
Pemsberg, Bertram W
Purves, John R
Perry, Arthur
Prendergast, Walter J.
Ross, William
Sullivan, Arthur
Saunders, Fred B
White, Ashley C

## MARINER'S LODGE, No. 80.

LOUISBURG, C. B.

Dispensation granted 11th February. 1891. Chartered 6th, April, 1892.

Meets on the Second Tuesday of each Month.

OFFICERS:

A. WYLIE STACEY.....W.M.
FLETCHER TOWNSEND ...S.W.
W. LAWRENCE SKINNER...J.W.
D. A. MORRISON, P.M....Treas.
ARTHUR M. TOWNSEND..Secy.
ALEXANDER ALINARD ....S.D.
CLARENCE PETERS .....J.D.
JOHN SKINNER, P.M.....I.G.
ELDRIDGE M. DICKSON, P.M., .....S.S
WILLIAM REID .....J.S.
ALEXANDER BOWES, Tyler.
MARTIN LeVATTE, P. M., Chaplain.

PAST MASTERS:

Rev Donald Farquhar
Martin LeVatte
Henry C V LeVatte
Guy B Hiltz
Daniel A Morrison
William W Lewis
John E Tutty
E M Dickson, M D
John Skinner

MASTER MASONS:

Arnold, Adolphus J
Cann, William P
Dillon, Henry H
Douglas, Fred. Aubrey
Grant, Abraham U.
Hickman, George
Hickman, Fred W
Hunter, John Allan
Jefferson, Rev Selby
Kendall, A S, M D
LeVatte, Martin W
Lewis, Esrom J
Ley, Freeman
Ley, Douglas W.
Lyons, Robert
Model, Isaac
Mader, Rev Joel
Martell, John S
Martell, Arthur H
Martell, Raymond
Matheson, Donald John
Middleton, John R.
McDonald, Charles
McDonald, John
McDonald, John W
McDonald, John C
McDonald, Archbald
McDonald, Donald A
McDonald, Alex R
McCuish, John
McInnes, Daniel J
McKay, J. W. D.
McKenzie, Donald H
McKinnon, John P
McVicar, Philip
Redmond, John A
Stacey, Wm. W.
Scott, John
Sutherland, William E
Townsend, Blucher W
Townsend, Samuel A
Townsend, Jas. W.
Tutty, Ephriam B
Tutty, Joseph
Willett, John A
Wilcox, Porter J

## LAHAVE LODGE, No. 81.

RIVERPORT, LUNENBURG CO.

Dispensation granted August 24th, 1899. Chartered June 27th, 1900.
Meets on the Second Monday of each Month.

### OFFICERS:

SAMUEL FORMAN RISSER.W.M. WM. H. MACDONALD, P.M...S.D.
HENRY GERHARDT .....S. W. ALVIN CHARLES ZINK....J.D.
JOSHUA E. BACKMAN.....J.W. HENRY A. CONROD, P.M.....I.G.
JAMES F. RISSER.....Treas. OBEDIAH DEAL .....S.S.
SAMUEL RITCEY .....Secy CLARENCE JAS. MYRA.....J.S.
THOMAS ROMKEY, Tyler.
BENJAMIN COOK, Organist.

### PAST MASTERS:

Daniel Lohnes Samuel Forman Risser
Wm. H Macdonald, M D, D D G M John Creaser
Stephen S Slawenwhite M. D Stannage Creaser
Benjamin J Ritcey Wilson H. Walters.
Henry Abner Conrod

### MASTER MASONS:

Backman, James
Creaser, Arthur
Creaser, Lemuel
Creaser, George
Creaser, Robert T
Corkum, Ammon, St
Corkum, Simeon
Corkum, Milledge
Corkum, Howard
Conrad, Zenas
Conrad, Kenneth
Cook, William J
Deal, John Daniel
Gerhardt, Albert O
Haughn, John
Heckman, Anthony
Heckman, Isaac
Himmelman, Gabriel
Himmelman, Alvin
Himmelman, L A
Himmelman, F C
CHebb, Arthur
Hirtle, Simon
Hirtle, Simon O G
Knock, Larneck Saml
Lohnes, Bennett O.
Lohnes, Richard A .
Lohnes, J Foster
Mossman, John
Oxner, Stephen
Oxner, Chas Fred
Pentz, Chasles Martin
Perry,, Rev. Wm. C.
Risser, Samuel
Risser, William
Ritcey, Ammon
Ritcey, Arthur
Ritcey, David
Romkey, Reuben
Ross, Philip
Ross, Andrew
Shankle, Jas H
Smith, John S
Weagle, Lement
Wentzell, Titus
Wentzell, Elisha
Wentzell, N Alister

## ZARTHAN LODGE, No. 82.

PUBNICO HEAD, YARMOUTH CO.

Dispensation granted September 26th, 1902. Chartered June 12th, 1903.

Meets on the First Monday of each Month.

OFFICERS:

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| LESLIE C. MURPHY.....W.M. | ORLANDO F. VAN AMBURG.S.D. |
| A. CLARENCE HAMILTON..S.W. | HERBERT O. SPINNEY.....J.D. |
| JESSE LEE MORTON.....J.W. | ..... ..... ..... .....I.G. |
| BENJAMIN F. SPINNEY..Treas | OSCAR D. VAN AMBURG....S.S. |
| JEREMIAH GAYTON .....Secy. | ROBERT O. SPINNEY ....J. S. |

DANIEL RYDER, Tyler.

REV. AUBREY HORWOOD, Chaplain.

PAST MASTERS:

Clayton S Murphy

Charles J Fox, M D

Orlando F Van Amburg.

MASTER MASONS:

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|---|---|---|
| Daley, Martin Jas | Larkin, Smith H | Spinney, Roy W. |
| Forbes, C Hiram | Larkin, William B. | Spinney, Adolphus L |
| Forbes, Warren G | Lennox, Samuel | Spinney, LeRoy D |
| Freeman, Rev John W | Morrissey, Clayton E | Spinney, Robert S |
| Gayton, John Avard | Morrissey, Fred A | Shand, Geo Alex |
| Goodwin, William A | Morrissey, Wm E | Seeley, William F |
| Goodwin, Wm Henry | Murphy, Byron R | Seeley, Ormsby L |
| Goodwin, Edward E | Morton, Addison | Seeley, Chas Edw |
| Goodwin, Wm. Crowell | Morrisey, Wm F | Van, Amburg, Jas L. |
| Hines, Melbourne S | McNair, Jas. Wm. | Van Amburg, Jas F |
| Hines, Edward G. | Rudolf, Charles | Van Amburg, Cliff C |
| Harding, William C | Spinney, Joseph W | Van Amburg, Rupert L |
| | Spinney, Wesley F. | |

## INVERNESS LODGE No 83.

INVERNESS C. B.

Dispensation granted April 25, 1904. Chartered June 9th, 1904.
Meets on the First Wednesday of each Month.

OFFICERS:

JOHN D. McKINNON.....W.M. ISAAC DIXON .....S. D.
ADOLPH H. ARENS .....S.W. NINIAN YOUNG .....J.D.
ROBERT McKNIGHT .....J.W. JOSEPH HUTCHISON .....I.G.
DANIEL W. McBEAN.....Treas. THOMAS MEEK .....S.S.
JOSEPH JOHNSTONE ....Secy. ROD EDW. McLEOD, P.M....J.S.
ARCHIBALD HUTCHISON, Tyler.
REV. J. W. A. NICHOLSON, Chaplain.
DANIEL M. McDONALD, Organist.
MURDOCK L. McLEAN, Marshal.

PAST MASTERS:

Herbert F Deas
John G Johnstone
Robert H Gray
Malcom S Beaton
John A Roy
John Henderson, P G S
Roderick Edward McLeod G S

MASTER MASONS:

Blackwood, Geo R.
Cassidy, John
Cassidy, Alonzo
Campbell, Alex John
Clarke, Edw Jas
Currie, Jas Wm
Dawson, William F
Davidson, James
Dunbar, Thos Hugh
Eggers, C Martin
Garrett, James
Haggart, James
Hair, William
Gordon, John
Henderson Richard S
Hamilton, Wm F
Holdsworth, John
Holland, David Henry
Keiver, David Wm.
Kirkwood, Walter
Lewis, Benj. Fred.
Malcolm, Andrew,
Mason, Joseph
Meek, Matthew T
Munro, Jas David
McLean, Malcolm J
McLean, Neil E
McKay, John G
McMillan, Neil
McMillan, Chas. E.
McMillan, Jas A
McNutt, Bliss B
McPherson, John
McLeod, Don Hugh
Napier, James
Orr, William
Quigley, John
Quigley, James S
Quigley, Samuel
Russell, James
Russell, William
Sinclair, Neil McL.
Stewart, William J
Samuel, Andrew B
Spiers, Christopher
Sueddin, James
Watson, Rev Alf Wm
Wright, Hubert
White, Geo Thos

## SYDNEY LODGE, No. 84.

SYDNEY C. B.

Dispensation granted May 2nd, 1905. Chartered June 15th 1905.

Meets on the First and Fourth Mondays of each month.

OFFICERS:

CECIL CLARKE GRAVES...W.M. WM. B. PARKINSON.....S.D.
FRANCIS OSCAR STONE....S.W. JOHN HUGH FRASER.....J.D.
GEORGE D. MUGGAH.....J.W. WM. F. BANNERMAN.....I.G.
JAMES McKENNA .....Treas. GUS A. FREDERICTON.....S.S.
JOHN ROBERT DUFF.....Secy. JOHN W. COCKLE.....J.S.

JOHN S. CREELMAN, Tyler.
MARTIN B. DICKENSON, P. M., Chaplain.
HUGH C. SMITH, Marshal.

PAST MASTERS:

Rev Charles DeVeber Schofield
Martin B Dickenson
Duncan Campbell
Graham Colquohoun
Allan D Jost
John Alexander Boyd
John Crull Mackley
Franklin Smallwood
James McKenna.

MASTER MASONS:

Buffett, Edward Wm
Beaton, George
Beaton, Thomas
Brehaut, Albert D.
Bulman, Adam
Bailey, Zebedee
Campbell, Adam G.
Carlyle, John
Crawford, Hugh McD.
Chapman, Evan W
Cooke, Alfred James
Cameron, Ira Wm
Cockell, H A
Dimock, Roy Ernest
Dunn, Charles
Doyle, John Loftus
Ellis, Evan
Forsberg, C Oscar
Frost, Chas Beckerton
Fleming, Dennis R
Fraser, Lester W
Graham, Andrew M
Green, Sherman
Green, Wm Jas
Grunan, Carl A
Gunn, Alexander D
Hogg, Charles
Higgs, Thomas
Harshman, Chas W
Hagen, Geo E E
Henderson, David S.
Henderson, Thomas
Jacoway, Wm D
Karn, Horace W
Lambert, Jas Wm
Lee, Edward
Lennox, David A
Ludemann, Carl
Leaman, Frederick
Matheson, Hugh
Miller, Harold
Mitchell, William W

MASTER MASONS—(Continued).

Morrison, Kenneth J
Morrison, Malcolm H
Morrison, John B
Morris, Caleb Caunalt
Morris, Frederick Cox
McInnes, Lauchlin H
McIntyre, Angus D
Mackenzie, Daniel A
McDougall, John C.
McMillan, Duncan J
McDougall, L G
McDonald, Robert J
McDonald, Wm A
McDonald, Colin
McPhee, Gordon G
McKay, Geo Alex
McFayden, F H
McCormack, Samuel
McAulay, John S.
McLean Wm. E
McCoubrey, L D H
Nickerson, James G
Nicholl, Arch T
Price, Horace Clifford
Penny, James George
Robertson, Wm J
Reid, Clement
Ricketts, John
Rigby, Thomas
Smith, Wiliiam H
Sinnamon, Alvin W
Sanders, Wm H
Scott, Arthur Putnam
Spencer, John Young
Seig, Richard M
Stombel, Carl H
Strubel, Albert
Semple, Charles W
Thompson, James G
Thompson, Thomas
Van Duren, John H
Wisdom, Stewart Al
Williamson, Angus H
Watson, Andrew.
Williamson, Walter H.
Wood, Crawford

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## ROYAL OAK LODGE, No. 85.

SYDNEY MINES, C. B.

Dispensation granted October 15th, 1906. Chartered June 12th, 1907.

Meets on the First Friday of each Month.

OFFICERS:

FRANK B. DUNLOP.....W.M.
ANDREW H. MUNN.....S.W.
THOS. F. CUMMING.....J.W.
CHAS. H. HOLMES.....Treas.
ERNEST G. McKAY.....Secy.
GEORGE WHYTE .....S.D.
LINDSAY MORRIS AKER....J.D.
LAUCHLIN D. McLEAN.. ..I. G.
RICHARD WALSH .....S.S.
CHARLES J. REILY.....J.S.

ALEXANDER H. ALLAN, Tyler.

REV. CAIRNS O. HOWLETT, Chaplain.

DANIEL C. McDONALD, Marshal.

PAST MASTERS:

Lewis W Johnstone, M D, PDDGM T F Kenty
Angus Stewart. Allan L. Kerr
Wm Harvey Graham

MASTER MASONS:

Barkley, Roderick
Bevis, Nathaniel
Boucher, Chas. S.
Campbell, John G. W.
Clark, C A
Chirgwin, Wm L
Crawford, Hugh
Cuzner, Wm. Henry
Fraser, Wm Grant
Fraser, A. Douglas
Fraser, Allan
Forman, Henry
Gilmore, Edwin R
Graham, W. Stewart
Hadden, William
Hadden, Andrew
Jackson, Jas Robert
Keeling, Joseph W
Knox Solomon
Kerr, Donald G.
Linton, Mort McD
Mills, Gordon C
Morrison Alexander
McAulay, Neil
McDonald, Daniel C.
McDonald, Fred
McKenzie, Wm M
McKinnon, John L
McRoberts, Alex
Neil, William
Templeton, Wm
Tickle, Thomas
Watson, Thomas, Sr.
Watson, Thomas, Jr
Waugh, Charles
Wood, Joseph

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## KING EDWARD LODGE, No. 86.

RIVER HEBERT, CUMBERLAND CO.

Dispensation granted April 16th, 1908 Chartered June 10, 1908.

Meets on the Second Tuesday of each Month.

OFFICERS, 1909-10:

JOHN A. MUNRO, M.D.....W.M.
DAVID J. CLARKE.....S.W.
RUFUS J. WELDON.....J.W.
JOHN J. McAULAY.....Treas.
ALEXANDER HATTIE ....Secy.
WM. ARNOLD LANDDELS...S.D.
JAS. FRED. MOFFAT.....J.D.
RUFUS S. HIBBARD....Marshal
J. SANFORD RIPLEY.....S.S.
CHARLES O'ROURKE .....J.S.

ALFRED ESAU, Tyler.

REV. GEO. S. GARDNER, Chaplain.

PAST MASTER:

Robert E Livingstone

OFFICERS, 1910-11:

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| DAVID J. CLARKE | W.M. | JESSE SANFORD RIPLEY | S.D. |
| JAMES F. MOFFAT | S.W. | WM. A. McLEOD | J.D. |
| WM. A. LANDELS | J.W. | WM. TWADDLE | I.G. |
| JOHN J. McAULAY | Treas. | CHARLES O'ROURKE | S.S. |
| ALEXANDER HATTIE | Secy. | ALEXANDER J. CLARKE | J.S. |

RALPH RIPLEY, Tyler.

CHARLES H. KELLEY, Marshal.

REV. J. A. SMITH, Chaplain

PAST MASTERS:

Robert E ivingston

John A Munro, M D

MASTER MASONS:

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|---|---|---|
| Anderson, John | Greenfield, Danford W | Porter, John |
| Barnhill, Gordon D | Hannah, Ervin W | Pugsley, Alder W |
| Baird, Rev Chas M | Hatherby, Herbert | Rockwell, Avard M |
| Christie, James R | Hibbard, Rufus S | Rogers, Alfred W |
| Cicoks, William | Hoegg, Max Bruce | Symes, Geo Alexr |
| Dysart, S Knox | Moffatt, William J | Theal, Winfield Y |
| Esau, Alfred | McDonald, John L | Wallace, George |
| Greer, Sydney | McDowell, John L W | Weldon, Rufus J |
| Gardner, Rev Geo S | Nass, James | |

# MASONIC DISTRICTS

## FIRST DISTRICT HALIFAX, CO.

R. W. WILLIAM J. DICKSON, Halifax, Dis. Dep. Grand Master.

| Name of Lodge: | No. | Where Held |
|---|---|---|
| St. Andrew's | 1 | Halifax |
| St. John's | 2 | " |
| Virgin | 3 | " |
| Royal Sussex | 6 | " |
| Burns | 10 | " |
| Acadia | 14 | " |
| Athole | 15 | " |
| Keith | 17 | " |
| Union | 18 | " |
| Lodge of St. Mark | 38 | " |
| Eureka | 42 | Sheet Harbor |
| Eastern Star | 51 | Dartmouth |

## SECOND DISTRICT, HANTS AND KINGS COUNTIES.

R. W. ALFRED D. PAYZANT, Canning, Dis. Dep. Grand Master.

| Name of Lodge: | No | Where Held |
|---|---|---|
| St. George | 20 | Wolfville |
| Welsford | 26 | Windsor |
| Scotia | 28 | Canning |
| Harmony | 52 | Aylesford |
| Kentville | 58 | Kentville |

## THIRD DISTRICT, ANNAPOLIS AND DIGBY CO'S.

R. W. WM. CECIL HARRIS, M.D., Brighton, Dis. Dep. Grand Master.

| Name of Lodge: | No. | Where Held. |
|---|---|---|
| Keith | 16 | Bear River |
| Annapolis Royal | 33 | Annapolis |
| Rothsay | 41 | Bridgetown |
| King Solomon | 54 | Digby |
| Freeport | 65 | Freeport |
| Ionic | 73 | Middleton |

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## FOURTH DISTRICT YARMOUTH AND SHELBURNE CO'S

R. W. ROBERT S. MacKAY, YARMOUTH, Dis. Dep. Grand Master.

| Name of Lodge: | No. | Where Held |
|---|---|---|
| Hiram | 12 | Yarmouth |
| Concord | 24 | Clarke's Harbor. |
| Albert | 30 | Shelburne |
| Scotia | 31 | Yarmouth |
| Philadelphia | 47 | Barrington |
| Harmony | 56 | Port Clyde |
| Taylor | 62 | Lockeport |
| Zarthan | 82 | Pubnico Head |

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## FIFTH DISTRICT, QUEENS AND LUNENBURG CO'S.

R. W. Wm. H. MacDONALD, M. D., Rose Bay Dis. Dep. Grand Master

| Name of Lodge: | No. | Where Held. |
|---|---|---|
| Unity | 4 | Lunenburg |
| Zetland | 9 | Liverpool |
| Prince of Wales | 29 | Milton |
| Acacia | 39 | Bridgewater |
| Clarke | 61 | Chester |
| Charity | 69 | Mahone Bay |
| Mechanics | 78 | Caledonia |
| LaHave | 81 | Riverport |

## SIXTH DISTRICT, CUMBERLAND AND COLCHESTER CO'S

R. W. JOHN W. LOGGAN, TRURO, Dis. Dep. Grand Master

| Name of Lodge: | No. | Where Held |
|---|---|---|
| Acacia | 8 | Amherst |
| Acadia | 13 | Pugwash |
| Truro | 43 | Truro |
| Widow's Son | 48 | River Philip |
| Corinthian | 63 | Great Villiage |
| Minas | 67 | Parrsboro |
| Laurie | 70 | Springhill |
| North Star | 74 | Londonderry |
| Wimburn | 76 | Oxford |
| Wallace | 76 | Wallace |
| King Edward | 86 | River Hebert |
| Alexandra | 87 | Amherst |

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## SEVENTH DISTRICT, PICTOU AND ANTIGONISH CO'S

R. W. SAMUEL EASTWOOD New Glasgow, Dis. Dep. Grand Master.

| Name of Lodge | No. | Where Held. |
|---|---|---|
| Albion | 5 | New Glasgow |
| New Caledonia | 11 | Pictou |
| Keith | 23 | Stellarton. |
| Western Star | 50 | Westville. |
| Hudson | 77 | Thorburn |

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## EIGHTH DISTRICT, GUYSBORO AND RICHMOND CO'S

R. W. WILLIAM A. MORGAN, Canso, Dis. Dep. Grand Master

| Name of Lodge: | No. | Where Held. |
|---|---|---|
| Elorado | 32 | Port Hilford |
| Queens | 34 | Sherbrooke |
| Temple | 57 | Mulgrave |
| Eastern Light | 72 | Guysboro |
| Canso | 79 | Canso |

## NINTH DISTRICT, VICTORIA, CAPE BRETON AND INVERNESS

R. W. MARTIN B. DICKENSON, Sydney, Dis. Dep. Grand Master.

| Name of Lodge. | No. | Where Held. |
|---|---|---|
| St. Andrew's | 7 | Sydney |
| Royal Albert | 19 | North Sydney |
| St. Mark's | 35 | Baddeck |
| Thistle | 36 | Port Morien |
| Tyrian Youth | 45 | Glace Bay |
| Solomon | 46 | Port Hawkesbury |
| Sircom | 66 | Whycocomagh |
| Mariners' | 80 | Louisburg |
| Inverness | 83 | Inverness |
| Sydney | 84 | Sydney |
| Royal Oak | 85 | Sydney Mines |

# RAISED DURING YEAR.

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| St. Andrew's, No. 1.. | Halifax, | Mar 15, 1906.. | Wm. Oban Farquharson |
| " " .. | " | June 1, 1909.. | William Harper |
| " " .. | " | June 1, 1909.. | Alexander McHardy |
| " " .. | " | June 8, 1909.. | Percy Sml. D. Bates |
| " " .. | " | Oct. 5, 1909.. | Wm. T. W. Horton |
| " " .. | " | Oct. 5, 1909.. | Edward A. Hartling |
| " " .. | " | Mar. 5, 1910.. | John Keith Redden |
| " " .. | " | Mar. 5, 1910.. | George Guy Morrison |
| " " .. | " | Mar. 5, 1910.. | Andrew Randall Cobb |
| St. John's, No. 2..... | Halifax, | July 5, 1909.. | Edw. Leonard Lydiard |
| " " .. | " | Mar. 7, 1910.. | Winters Burnham |
| " " .. | " | Mar. 7, 1910.. | Brenton C. Woodworth |
| Virgin, No. 3..... | Halifax, | Apl 19, 1909.. | Frederic T. Burrill |
| " " .. | " | July 26, 1909.. | Robert Morrow |
| " " .. | " | July 26, 1909.. | Chas. R. Thorne |
| " " .. | " | Aug. 23, 1909.. | Francis L. Stephen |
| Unity, No. 4..... | Lunenburg, | Apl. 27, 1909.. | W. Dawson Geldert |
| " " .. | " | Aug. 6, 1909.. | Thomas Henry Stanley |
| " " .. | " | Aug. 6, 1909.. | Danl M. Eisnor |
| " " .. | " | Sept. 7, 1909.. | Fred Greateux Dodge |
| Albion, No. 5..... | New Glasgow, | June 18, 1909.. | Henry R. Fraser |
| " " .. | | June 18, 1909.. | Jas. Thos. Cumming |
| " " .. | " | Sept 17, 1909.. | Jos. Edw. Phinney |
| " " .. | " | Oct. 1, 1909.. | David Wm. McDonald |
| " " .. | " | Nov. 24, 1909.. | Joseph Balduc Moore |
| " " .. | " | Nov. 24, 1909.. | Chas. A. Mitchell |
| " " .. | " | Nov. 24, 1909.. | R. C. Nash |
| " " .. | " | Jan. 7, 1910.. | Ewen M. Cameron |
| " " .. | " | Jan. 7, 1910.. | Adam Carr Bell, Jr |
| " " .. | " | Mar 18, 1910.. | Daniel Silliker |
| " " .. | " | Mar 18, 1910.. | Clifford M. Oulton |
| " " .. | " | Mar 18, 1910.. | Findlay Fraser |

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| Royal Sussex, No. 6 | Halifax, | Nov. 16, 1909 | John A. Liswell |
| " " | " | Jan. 6, 1910 | Wm. I. Zinck |
| " " | " | Jan. 6, 1910 | Joseph Kirby |
| " " | " | Jan. 6, 1910 | Abner Nelson Isner |
| " " | " | Feb. 22, 1910 | J. Edward Rogers |
| St. Andrew's, No. 7 | Sydney, | Apr. 2, 1909 | N. S. S. Stiles |
| " " | " | Apr. 2, 1909 | P. C. Wilmot |
| " " | " | Apr. 2, 1909 | John R. McKimmie |
| " " | " | Apr. 2, 1909 | H. L. Smith |
| " " | " | May 28, 1909 | Geo. E. Archibald |
| " " | " | Sept. 28, 1909 | A. Martel McLeod |
| " " | " | Sept. 28, 1909 | Gordon G. Spencer |
| " " | " | Sept. 28, 1909 | John C. Dawson |
| " " | " | Nov. 8, 1909 | Chas. McKenzie |
| " " | " | Jan. 25, 1910 | Harry H. Archibald |
| " " | " | Jan. 25, 1910 | John McDonald, M.D. |
| " " | " | Mar. 9, 1910 | Ernest Bartholomew |
| " " | " | Mar. 9, 1910 | Jas. A. Townsend |
| " " | " | Mar. 9, 1910 | Don. John McDonald |
| " " | " | Mar. 9, 1910 | John Angus McDonald |
| " " | " | Mar. 9, 1910 | Alex. C. Millar |
| Acacia, No. 8 | Amherst, | July 1, 1909 | J. J. Schurman |
| " " | " | July 1, 1909 | O. L. Chappell |
| " " | " | July 10, 1909 | J. G. Nowlan |
| " " | " | July 13, 1909 | R. R. Smith |
| " " | " | July 13, 1909 | R. W. Freeman |
| " " | " | July 13, 1909 | William Mackie |
| " " | " | Aug. 13, 1909 | F. C. R. Hillcoat |
| " " | " | Aug. 13, 1909 | Wm. A. Ryrie |
| " " | " | Nov. 16, 1909 | E. S. Chapman |
| " " | " | Nov. 16, 1909 | A. U. Brander |
| " " | " | Jan. 6, 1910 | N. A. Currie |
| " " | " | Jan. 6, 1910 | B. E. Goodwin |
| " " | " | Jan. 6, 1910 | H. M. Jones |
| " " | " | Jan. 6, 1910 | J. LeRoy Cove |
| " " | " | Jan. 6, 1910 | C. W. Munro |
| " " | " | Mar. 3, 1910 | C. W. McCabe |
| Zetland, No. 9 | Liverpool, | May 27, 1909 | Stanley Johnston |
| " " | " | June 4, 1909 | H. S. Arenburg |

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| Burns, No. 10 | Halifax, | Aug. 10, 1909 | F. C. Lomas |
| " " | " | Aug. 10, 1909 | Charles Walter Reis |
| " " | " | Aug. 10, 1909 | James Roberts |
| " " | " | Aug. 10, 1909 | Geo. Wm. Spears |
| " " | " | Sept. 1, 1909 | A. A. R. Mosher |
| " " | " | Sept. 1, 1909 | Jas. Francis Silver |
| " " | " | Sept. 10, 1910 | A. V. Cann. |
| " " | " | Nov. 17, 1909 | A. S. Hubley |
| " " | " | Nov. 17, 1909 | W. J. Palmer |
| " " | " | Nov. 17, 1909 | A. J. Mann |
| " " | " | Nov. 17, 1909 | S. G. Sampson |
| " " | " | Jan. 5, 1910 | Henry Percival Barnes |
| " " | " | Jan. 5, 1910 | Arthur H. Hubbard |
| " " | " | Feb. 2, 1910 | Fred Wm. Fox Layton |
| " " | " | Feb. 11, 1910 | James Henry Chislett |
| " " | " | Mar. 16, 1919 | Samuel George Carnell |
| " " | " | Mar. 16, 1910 | William James Dowell |
| " " | " | Mar. 29, 1910 | James Downie |
| " " | " | Mar. 29, 1910 | Emanuel Ford |
| " " | " | Mar. 29, 1910 | Thos. Alex. Hubley |
| " " | " | Mar. 29, 1910 | J. J. E. Reisser |
| " " | " | Mar. 31, 1910 | Harold Amos Garrison |
| " " | " | Mar. 31, 1910 | Thos. Henry Hencher |
| New Caledonia, No. 11 | Pictou, | Apr. 27, 1909 | John H. Morrison |
| " " | " | July 27, 1909 | J. Wm. W. Douglas |
| " " | " | Nov. 9, 1909 | J. W. F. McLeod |
| " " | " | Nov. 23, 1909 | Geo. Wm. Murray |
| " " | " | Nov. 23, 1909 | Alex. Campbell |
| " " | " | Feb. 24, 1910 | Alex. McLellan |
| Hiram, No. 12 | Yarmouth, | July 5, 1909 | Irving R. Tooker |
| " " | " | July 5, 1909 | Murray C. Wyman |
| " " | " | July 5, 1909 | Roland M. Jost |
| " " | " | July 5, 1909 | Charles L. Hall |
| " " | " | Mar. 7, 1910 | Frank Hibbard |
| " " | " | Mar. 25, 1910 | Fred Eugene Roop |
| Acadia, No. 13 | Pugwash, | Apr. 1, 1909 | Joseph Eastwood |
| " " | " | Sept. 6, 1909 | Alfred Edw. Seaman |
| " " | " | Dec. 6, 1909 | Leslie R. Cutten |
| " " | " | Dec. 6, 1909 | John A. McPherson |
| " " | " | Mar. 7, 1910 | Chas. Edw. Hussey |

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| Acadia, No. 14 | Halifax, | June 14, 1909 | Albert Edw. Boutilier |
| " " | " | Sept. 13, 1909 | Jos. Roger Jamison |
| " " | " | Nov. 19, 1909 | John Ross Spence |
| " " | " | Jan. 10, 1910 | Geo. Henry Lenaghan |
| Athole, No. 15 | Halifax. | Apr. 12, 1909 | Chas. Wm. Baker |
| " " | " | Apr. 12, 1909 | Thomas Thomson |
| " " | " | June 14, 1909 | Chester Arthur Cole |
| " " | " | July 12, 1909 | John James Jenny |
| " " | " | Nov. 24, 1909 | Lionel H. Dowding |
| " " | " | Dec. 17, 1909 | Frank Alex. Skelhorne |
| " " | " | Feb. 9, 1910 | Alex. S. Thomson |
| " " | " | Mar. 9, 1910 | Douglas Thos. Redpath |
| " " | " | Mar 23, 1910 | Edward B. Batson |
| Keith, No. 16 | Bear River. | | |
| " " | | Apr. 26, 1909 | Le Roy Oscar Harris |
| " " | " | June 7, 1909 | Geo. Thomas Tupper |
| " " | " | June 7, 1909 | Clarence R. Adams |
| " " | " | June 7, 1909 | Corey Long |
| " " | " | June 7, 1909 | William Morgan |
| " " | " | June 7, 1909 | Corey Gould Harris |
| " " | " | July 5, 1909 | Saml. S. Thompson |
| " " | " | Sep. 6, 1909 | Gilbert Hubley |
| " " | " | Oct. 4, 1909 | Burton Thos. Frede |
| " " | " | Jan. 3, 1910 | Albert F. McNeil |
| Keith, No. 17 | Halifax, | July 13, 1909 | John Norman |
| " " | " | July 13, 1909 | Joseph Richardson |
| " " | " | July 13, 1909 | Fred. Wm. Colwill |
| " " | " | July 13, 1909 | John Hampton Redford |
| " " | " | Jan. 13, 1910 | Kidd Flem Nance |
| " " | " | Jan. 13, 1910 | John Carr |
| " " | " | Mar. 10, 1910 | James Wm. Safford |
| " " | " | Mar. 10, 1910 | Clarence T. Heckman |
| " " | " | Mar. 10, 1910 | Harry Barzilla Forrest |
| Union, No. 18 | Halifax, | May 21, 1909 | Fred. S. Hamilton |
| " " | " | Aug. 16, 1909 | Joseph Donovan Reid |
| " " | " | Aug. 16, 1909 | Amos Edw. Hamilton |
| " " | " | Sept. 6, 1909 | Wm. Lewis Cox |
| " " | " | Oct. 18, 1909 | Jos. James Skeir |
| " " | " | Oct. 18, 1909 | Austin Price |
| " " | " | Oct. 18, 1909 | Augustus Husbands |

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| Union, No. 18 | Halifax, | Dec. 20, 1909 | Frederick Jas. Bauld |
| " " | " | Jan. 17, 1910 | Wilfred M. Samuels |
| Royal Albert, No. 19 | North Sydney, | | |
| " " | | June 21, 1909 | Arthur Wm. Swartz |
| " " | " | June 21, 1909 | James And. McLeod |
| " " | " | Jan. 17, 1910 | William John Campbell |
| " " | " | Jan. 17, 1910 | Alexander McDonald |
| " " | " | Feb. 21, 1910 | Frank Tracey Kelly |
| " " | " | Feb. 21, 1910 | Alex. Chas. Watson |
| St. George's No. 20 | Wolfville, | Apr 2, 1909 | Percy M. Bishop |
| " " | " | Sept. 10, 1909 | Henry A. Peck |
| " " | " | Nov. 12, 1909 | M. K. McKinnon |
| " " | " | Nov. 12, 1909 | Arthur DeWitt Foster |
| " " | " | Jan. 17, 1910 | Fred. Wm. Cowern |
| " " | " | Mar. 2, 1910 | James Wm Barclay |
| " " | " | Mar. 2, 1910 | Joseph Elliott Smith |
| Keith, No. 23 | Stellarton, | | |
| " " | | Apr. 23, 1909 | John Hugh McLeod |
| " " | " | Apr. 23, 1909 | Lester W. Archibald |
| " " | " | July 27, 1909 | Murray Douglas |
| " " | " | July 27, 1909 | Alex. Mitchell Inglis |
| " " | " | July 27, 1909 | Hugh Lawrence Fraser |
| " " | " | July 27, 1909 | Albert Urquhart |
| " " | " | Aug. 24, 1909 | Smith, Foster |
| " " | " | Aug. 24, 1909 | Jas. W. Macdonald |
| " " | " | Aug. 24, 1909 | Jas. A. Cunningham |
| " " | " | Aug. 24, 1909 | A. H. Bandoux |
| " " | | Oct. 26, 1909 | F. N. G. Crockett |
| " " | " | Oct. 26, 1909 | Joseph Henry Hayes |
| " " | " | Nov. 23, 1909 | William Jos. Potts |
| " " | " | Nov. 23, 1909 | Alex. Purvis Miller |
| " " | " | Nov. 23, 1909 | Daniel E. Urquhart |
| " " | " | Jan. 4, 1910 | Frank Edward Tibbetts |
| " " | " | Feb. 22, 1910 | Henry Morrell |
| " " | " | Feb. 22, 1910 | Simon J. Bannerman |
| Concord, No. 24 | Clark's Harbor, | | |
| " " | | Apr. 24, 1909 | Charles Henry Blake |
| " " | " | May 3, 1909 | Thos. Wm. Covert, Jr. |
| " " | " | May 10, 1909 | Jas. E. Nickerson |
| " " | " | May 10, 1909 | Noble H. Atwood |

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| Concord, No. 24..... | Clark's Harbor, | | |
| " " .. " | | July 12, 1909.. | Walter G. Nickerson |
| " " .. " | | July 12, 1909.. | James C. McGray |
| " " .. " | | Sept. 13, 1909.. | Geo. Elliott Phillips |
| Welsford, No. 26 ..... | Windsor, | July 1, 1909.. | Archie F. Demont |
| " " .. " | | July 1, 1909.. | Elisha Henry Card |
| " " .. " | | Aug. 5, 1909.. | John R. McKenzie |
| " " .. " | | Aug. 5, 1909.. | Maurice Elroy Hutt |
| " " .. " | | Aug. 5, 1909.. | Arthur Almon Dill |
| " " .. " | | Aug. 5, 1909.. | Wm. Chas. Robinson |
| " " .. " | | Aug. 5, 1909.. | Wilford E. Dimock |
| " " .. " | | Aug. 5, 1909.. | Harry Peter Murphy |
| " " .. " | | Oct. 14, 1909.. | John St. Clair McKay |
| " " .. " | | Oct. 14, 1909.. | Lawrence E. Parker |
| " " .. " | | Oct. 14, 1909.. | George Fox |
| " " .. " | | Nov. 4, 1909.. | Randolph W. Churchill |
| " " .. " | | Nov. 18, 1909.. | John N. Woolaver |
| " " .. " | | Nov. 18, 1909.. | Avard Longley Starratt |
| " " .. " | | Dec. 30, 1909.. | Robert Roy Compbell |
| " " .. " | | Dec. 30, 1909.. | Wm. Henry Worth |
| " " .. " | | Feb. 10, 1910.. | George Edward Cook |
| Scotia, No. 28..... | Canning, | Apr. 7, 1909.. | Halle Bigelow |
| " " .. " | | Dec. 1, 1909.. | John Peter Boudreau |
| " " .. " | | Jan. 5, 1910.. | Archibald Leitch |
| " " .. " | | Jan. 5, 1910.. | William J. D. Gibson |
| " " .. " | | Apr. 4, 1910.. | W. D. F. Smith |
| Albert, No. 30..... | Shelburne, | | |
| " " .. | | July 14, 1909.. | John R. Etherington |
| " " .. " | | July 14, 1909.. | Jas. Havelock Harding |
| " " .. " | | Nov. 10, 1909.. | Geo. Thos. Macdonald |
| " " .. " | | Jan. 6, 1910.. | L. J. Walsh |
| " " .. " | | Feb. 9, 1910.. | Charles W. Muir |
| Scotia, No. 31..... | Yarmouth, | | |
| " " .. | | Apr. 19, 1909.. | Cornelius E. Walsh |
| " " .. " | | Apr. 19, 1909.. | Center G. Hemeon |
| " " .. " | | Apr. 19, 1909.. | George Leslie Foulis |
| " " .. " | | Apr. 19, 1909.. | Ross W. Guess |
| " " .. " | | Apr. 19, 1909.. | S. DeLancy M. Killam |
| " " .. " | | Aug. 16, 1909.. | William Webster |
| " " .. " | | Sep. 21, 1909.. | Arthur Silas Lewis |

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| Scotia, No. 31 | Yarmouth, | | |
| " " | " | Sep. 21, 1909 | Fred McCauley |
| " " | " | Oct. 18, 1909 | John Wm. Patterson |
| " " | " | Jan. 17, 1910 | O. Von Bismark Cassitt |
| " " | " | Jan. 17, 1910 | Robert Rennie Wyse |
| " " | " | Jan. 17, 1910 | Daniel Brenton Kenny |
| " " | " | Jan. 17, 1910 | Louis Nathan Critcher |
| " " | " | Jan. 17, 1910 | Claude L. Sanderson |
| Eldorado, No. 32 | Port Hilford, | | |
| | | Apr. 1, 1909 | Judson D. Flemming |
| Annapolis Royal, 33 | Annapolis, | | |
| " " | | Apr. 7, 1909 | Charles A. Harnish |
| " " | " | June 2, 1909 | William Hardy |
| " " | " | June 2, 1909 | Howard T. Croscup |
| " " | " | Oct. 29, 1909 | W. T. Suckling |
| " " | " | Oct. 29, 1909 | Frank H. Fairn |
| " " | " | Mar. 23, 1910 | Leverett Potter |
| " " | " | Mar. 23, 1910 | Wm. Albany Daniel |
| Queens, No. 34 | Sherbrooke, | | |
| " " | | June 1, 1909 | John A. Sinclair |
| " " | " | Aug. 3, 1909 | Rev. J. J. Bamford |
| " " | " | Oct. 5, 1909 | Berton T. McLean |
| St. Mark's, No. 35 | Baddeck, | May 20. 1909 | Rev. D. M. McRae |
| " " | " | June 17, 1909 | Charles A. Hebb |
| " " | " | June 17, 1909 | Wm. Clarence Lodge |
| " " | " | Sept 16, 1909 | Alex. R. McDonald |
| " " | " | Oct. 21, 1909 | Thomas A. McDonald |
| " " | " | Dec. 16, 1909 | Chas. W. K. McCurdy |
| " " | " | Dec. 16, 1909 | Murdock M. McDonald |
| " " | " | Feb. 17, 1910 | Murdock N. McRae |
| " " | " | Feb. 17, 1910 | John C. McRae |
| " " | " | Feb. 17, 1910 | John Matheson |
| " " | " | Feb. 17, 1910 | Alex. P. Nicholson |
| " " | " | Feb. 17, 1910 | Dan McDonald |
| " " | " | Mar. 17, 1910 | W. G. Forbes McDonald |
| Thistle, No. 36 | Port Morien, | | |
| " " | " | Nov. 6, 1909 | Edward Alex. McAulay |
| Lodge of St. Mark, 38 | Halifax, | May 19, 1909 | Ernest Frank Cribb |
| " " | " | June 18, 1909 | Percy Ogden Zwicker |
| " " | " | July 9, 1909 | Edgar Avery Manuel |

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| Lodge of St. Mark, 38.. | Halifax, | July 30, 1909.. | Alfred Young |
| " " .. | " | Oct. 19, 1909.. | Alfred James Day |
| " " .. | " | Dec. 13, 1909.. | M. McKay McLean |
| " " .. | " | Dec. 13, 1909.. | Arthur M. Fraser |
| " " .. | " | Feb. 9, 1910.. | Benj. W. C. Manning |
| " " .. | " | Mar. 4, 1910.. | Wm. Parker Collings |
| " " .. | " | Mar. 4, 1910.. | William Reeves |
| " " .. | " | Mar. 4, 1910.. | Geo. Edw. Collins |
| " " .. | " | Mar. 4, 1910.. | Frank C. Brinton |
| " " .. | " | Mar. 18, 1910.. | John A. Brailsford |
| " " .. | " | Mar. 18, 1910.. | Arthur Thos. Fraser |
| " " .. | " | Mar. 18, 1910.. | Herbert B. Morrow |
| " " .. | " | Mar. 18, 1910.. | John Fredk Hiltz |
| Acacia, No. 39..... | Bridgewater, | | |
| " " .. | | July 16, 1909.. | James Malcolm Daviss |
| " " .. | " | July 22, 1909.. | Evans Twining Wile |
| " " .. | " | July 22, 1909.. | Laring H. Putnam |
| " " .. | " | Nov. 9, 1909.. | Enos Kaulback |
| " " .. | " | Mar. 15, 1910.. | Jos. Willis Margeson |
| " " .. | " | Mar. 15, 1910.. | Elias Joshua Richard |
| Rothsay, No. 41..... | Bridgetown, | | |
| " " .. | | May 6, 1909.. | Reginald R. Ruggles |
| " " .. | " | Dec. 23, 1909.. | F. F. R. Beckwith |
| " " .. | " | Dec. 23, 1909.. | Harry L. Bentley |
| " " .. | " | Dec. 23, 1909.. | Curtis B. Longmire |
| " " .. | " | Jan. 27, 1910.. | John Everett Bell |
| " " .. | " | Feb. 24, 1910.. | Herbert D. Starratt |
| Eureka, No. 42..... | Sheet Harbor, | | |
| " " .. | | July 7, 1909.. | Herman Hall |
| " " .. | " | July 7, 1909.. | W. F. Sampson |
| " " .. | " | Sept. 1, 1909.. | John Charles Hilchie |
| " " .. | " | Sept. 15, 1909.. | Andrew Archibald |
| " " .. | " | Oct. 6, 1909.. | Reuben John Butler |
| " " .. | " | Nov. 3, 1909.. | David Joseph Turner |
| " " .. | " | Mar. 2, 1910.. | James Cooper |
| " " .. | " | May 4, 1910.. | Stillman Monk |
| Truro, No. 43 ..... | Truro, | May 18, 1909.. | George Albert Munro |
| " " .. | " | May 18, 1909.. | Wm. Alex. Langille |
| " " .. | " | May 18, 1909.. | Daniel Forbes |
| " " .. | " | Sept. 17, 1909.. | Danl. Arch. Tattrie |

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| Truro, No. 43 | Truro, | Sept. 17, 1909 | Stanley W. McCulloch |
| " " | " | Sept. 17, 1909 | Leonard A. O'Brien |
| " " | " | Sept. 17, 1909 | Frank Wm. Wilson |
| " " | " | Sept. 17, 1909 | Edgar S. Archibald |
| " " | " | Nov. 29, 1909 | Jas. C. Coulson |
| " " | " | Feb. 10, 1910 | Robert Christie |
| Tyrian Youth, No. 45 | Glace Bay, | | |
| " " | | May 11, 1909 | Donald Norman McRae |
| " " | " | May 11, 1909 | Donald McKenzie Weir |
| " " | " | July 27, 1909 | George Baxter |
| " " | " | Aug. 19, 1909 | Angus D. McCuish |
| " " | " | Sept. 28, 1909 | Harry Andrews |
| " " | " | Dec. 9, 1909 | John Alex. McLeod |
| " " | " | Dec. 9, 1909 | Geo. Beaton Saunders |
| " " | " | Dec. 28, 1909 | John Baxter |
| " " | " | Dec. 28, 1909 | Frank John Aldred |
| " " | " | Jan. 25, 1910 | Alex. John Campbell |
| " " | " | Mar. 18, 1910 | James Alex. Calder |
| " " | " | Mar. 18, 1910 | Frank Jos. Stanley |
| " " | " | Mar. 18, 1910 | Neil Wilson |
| Solomon, No. 46 | Port Hawkesbury, | | |
| " " | | Apr. 6, 1909 | R. Alex. McFadgen |
| " " | " | Apr. 6, 1909 | Wm. Alexander McLean |
| " " | " | Aug. 3, 1909 | Angus A. McIntosh |
| " " | " | Sept. 23, 1909 | John Fredk. Chapman |
| Philadelphia, No. 47 | Barrington, | | |
| " " | | Aug. 3, 1909 | George Eldad Abbott |
| " " | " | Aug. 3, 1909 | James Henry Banks |
| " " | " | Aug. 3, 1909 | Cedric Robertson |
| " " | " | Oct. 5, 1909 | Fredk. L. Nickerson |
| " " | " | Nov. 12, 1909 | Harry Gordon Lyons |
| Widow's Son, No. 48 | River Philip, | | |
| " " | | May 3, 1909 | Richard Barton |
| " " | " | Mar. 21, 1909 | Sydney Purdy |
| Western Star, No. 50 | Westville, | | |
| " " | | Apr. 13, 1909 | K. John McKenzie |
| " " | " | May 11, 1909 | John Munro Balfour |
| " " | " | May 11, 1909 | Henry Sutherland |
| " " | " | June 8, 1909 | Rodk. Fraser Johnston |
| " " | " | June 8, 1909 | Alexr. Danl. McKenzie |

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| Western Star, No. 50.. | Westville, | | |
| " " .. | " | July 13, 1909.. | William Morgan |
| " " .. | " | Mar. 25, 1910.. | Robt. James McDonald |
| " " .. | " | Mar. 25, 1910.. | Samuel Mitchell Wilson |
| Eastern Star, No. 51.. | Dartmouth, | | |
| " " .. | | May 14, 1909.. | John Matheson |
| " " .. | " | June 8, 1909.. | Edw. Campbell Hines |
| " " .. | " | June 8, 1909.. | William McKenzie |
| " " .. | " | June 8, 1909.. | Chas. Ernest H. Hains |
| " " .. | " | June 8, 1909.. | James Fraser |
| " " .. | " | June 8, 1909.. | Everett Jas. Donaldson |
| " " .. | " | June 8, 1909.. | James Roope Douglass |
| " " .. | " | June 11, 1909.. | Harold Ingraham Hall |
| " " .. | " | Aug. 6, 1909.. | Wilson Preston Evans |
| " " .. | " | Aug. 10, 1909.. | James Lawler Orman |
| " " .. | " | Aug. 10, 1909.. | Saml. C. M. Chittick |
| " " .. | " | Aug. 10, 1909.. | Arthur B. Emery |
| " " .. | " | Jan. 24, 1910.. | James Nicholls |
| " " .. | " | Mar. 8, 1910.. | Robt. Alex. Henderson |
| " " .. | " | Mar. 8, 1910.. | Chas. Alex. McLean |
| " " .. | " | Mar. 8, 1910.. | Geo. Augustus Hall |
| Harmony, No. 52..... | Aylesford, | | |
| " " .. | | Aug. 2, 1909.. | George Edward Pineo |
| " " .. | " | Sept. 13, 1909.. | Paul Parker Balcom |
| " " .. | " | Sept. 13, 1909.. | Arnold Jenks MacKay |
| " " .. | " | Nov. 1, 1909.. | Harry Gordon Stuart |
| " " .. | " | Nov. 1, 1909.. | Daniel Boyd Parker |
| " " .. | " | Mar. 7, 1910.. | Roland Stephen Taylor |
| " " .. | " | Apr. 4, 1910.. | James Brydon |
| King Solomon, No. 54.. | Digby, | July 6, 1909.. | Percy Wm. Holdsworth |
| " " .. | " | Oct. 5, 1909.. | Frank Ernest Rice |
| Harmony, No. 56..... | Port Clyde, | | |
| " " .. | | June 7, 1909.. | Geo. Snyder Thomson |
| " " .. | " | July 5, 1909.. | Arthur R. Reynolds |
| " " .. | " | Mar. 7, 1910.. | Wm. Leslie Smith |
| Temple, No. 57 ..... | Mulgrave, | | |
| " " .. | | Aug. 5, 1909.. | William Levi Irish |
| " " .. | " | Aug. 19, 1909.. | Sidney Wm. Hagerty |
| " " .. | " | Sept. 16, 1909.. | Henry John Reeves |
| " " .. | " | Feb. 3, 1910.. | James Whyte |
| " " .. | " | Mar. 17, 1910.. | Edgar L. Hadley |

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| Kentville, No. 58 | Kentville, | | |
| " " | .. | July 28, 1909 | W. Alonzo Badham |
| " " | .. " | Dec. 29, 1909 | Geo. W. Coffin |
| " " | .. " | Dec. 29, 1909 | Spurgeon L. Cross |
| " " | .. " | Dec. 29, 1909 | John M. Cross |
| " " | .. " | Dec. 29, 1909 | Percy D. Kinsman |
| " " | .. " | Jan. 24, 1910 | James H. Stevenson |
| " " | .. " | Jan. 24, 1910 | Frederick L. Robinson |
| " " | .. " | Jan. 24, 1910 | Percy R. Bentley |
| Clarke, No. 61 | Chester, | July 8, 1909 | Robert W. Bradberry |
| " " | .. " | Apr. 8, 1909 | William A. Dymond |
| Taylor, No. 62 | Lockeport, | | |
| " " | .. | May 3, 1909 | Aubrey Harwood |
| " " | .. " | June 22, 1909 | Howard M. Allen |
| Corinthian, No. 63 | Great Village, | | |
| " " | .. | July 1, 1909 | Leander J. Fulton |
| " " | .. " | July 1, 1909 | Seymour A. Fulton |
| " " | .. " | Oct. 5, 1909 | George A. Lawson |
| " " | .. " | Mar. 24, 1910 | John M. Patten |
| Freeport, No. 65 | Freeport, | | |
| " " | .. | June 25, 1907 | Lindsay E. Hains |
| " " | .. " | July 12, 1909 | William W. Finnigan |
| " " | .. " | Oct. 15, 1909 | James M. Shortliffe |
| " " | .. " | Mar. 25, 1910 | Charles R. Teed |
| Sircom, No. 66 | Whycocomagh, | | |
| " " | .. " | Apr. 1, 1909 | James G. McDonald |
| " " | .. " | May 6, 1909 | John D. McQ. McNeil |
| " " | .. " | May 31, 1909 | John James Fraser |
| " " | .. " | Aug. 24, 1909 | Alexander S. McLean |
| " " | .. " | Sept. 2, 1909 | Hugh McKinnon |
| " " | .. " | Jan. 11, 1910 | Hector McKinnon |
| " " | .. " | Jan. 11, 1910 | Lauchlin J. McKinnon |
| " " | .. " | Jan. 11, 1910 | Fred James McKinnon |
| " " | .. " | Mar. 4, 1910 | James McKinnon |
| Minas, No. 67 | Parrsboro, | | |
| " " | .. | May 17, 1909 | William Carter Dexter |
| " " | .. " | May 17, 1909 | George Backhurst |
| " " | .. " | June 21, 1909 | William Lamb |
| " " | .. " | June 21, 1909 | Gullick Ness Jensen |
| " " | .. " | Oct. 18, 1909 | Israel Duncan Webb |

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| Minas, No. 67 | Parrsboro, | | |
| " " | " | Nov. 15, 1909 | Freeland M. Bentley |
| " " | " | Jan. 17, 1910 | George Edw. Bentley |
| " " | " | Feb. 11, 1910 | Percy L. Spicer |
| " " | " | Feb. 21, 1910 | Magnus Benjamine |
| Charity, No. 69 | Mahone, | Sept. 21, 1909 | Rev. Brice David Knott |
| Laurie, No. 70 | Springhill, | | |
| " " | | Apr. 21, 1909 | Henry Richard Isern |
| " " | " | Apr. 21, 1909 | Charles Fredk. Olsen |
| " " | " | June 5, 1909 | Harold McKenzie Bool |
| " " | " | July 21, 1909 | James Edw. Hutchins |
| " " | " | July 21, 1909 | Albert Barton |
| " " | " | Jan. 15, 1910 | Rev. W. J. Layton |
| " " | " | Jan. 15, 1910 | Frank Ritchie |
| Eastern Light, No. 72 | Guysboro, | | |
| " " | | Feb. 24, 1910 | Harry Barlo Atwater |
| Ionic, No. 73 | Middleton, | | |
| " " | | July 13, 1909 | Rev. Geo. L. McCain |
| " " | " | Aug. 13, 1909 | Frederick L. Harris |
| " " | " | Aug. 13, 1909 | Norman Ray |
| " " | " | Oct. 26, 1909 | Rev. H. B. Smith |
| " " | " | Sept. 28, 1909 | Frederick H. Roop |
| " " | " | Dec. 21, 1909 | John B. Jefferson |
| " " | " | Feb. 22, 1910 | Horton W. Phinney |
| North Star, No. 74 | Londonderry, | | |
| " " | | Jan. 20, 1910 | Willard P. Powers |
| " " | " | Jan. 20, 1910 | Wm. G. H. Braine |
| " " | " | Jan. 20, 1910 | Vernon Wood Parrish |
| Wimburn, No. 75 | Oxford, | Dec. 17, 1909 | Selwyn Jas. Downing |
| " " | " | Dec. 17, 1909 | Charles Guy Black |
| Wallace, No. 76 | Wallace, | May 31, 1909 | George Blair Bruce |
| " " | " | Sept. 27, 1909 | Clarence L. Henderson |
| " " | " | Sept. 27, 1909 | Kenneth R. McLean |
| " " | " | Sept. 27, 1909 | John M. Charman |
| " " | " | Nov. 26, 1909 | Robert Jas. Mitchell |
| " " | " | Jan. 24, 1910 | Robert E. Nelson |
| " " | " | Apr. 18, 1910 | Fred Daniel Blackie |
| Hudson, No. 77 | Thorburn, | | |
| " " | | June 25, 1909 | Andrew Fraser |
| " " | " | Nov. 26, 1909 | Thomas McLaren |

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| Mechanics, No. 78 | Caledonia, | | |
| " " | .. | Apr. 8, 1909 | Bradford W. Freeman |
| " " | .. " | Apr. 8, 1909 | Adelbert D. Freeman |
| " " | .. " | May 13, 1909 | L. Van Buskirk Gates |
| " " | .. " | Aug. 12, 1909 | Clifford, E. Dexter |
| " " | .. " | Nov. 11, 1909 | George Louis Bent |
| " " | .. " | Nov. 11, 1909 | Alonzo Minard |
| " " | .. " | Jan. 13, 1910 | Edward Jos. Freeman |
| Canso, No. 79 | Canso, | June 4, 1909 | B. W. Remsberg |
| " " | .. " | June 4, 1909 | David H. Rattray |
| " " | .. " | Dec. 3, 1909 | Ebenezer A. Boyle |
| " " | .. " | Dec. 8, 1909 | Thos. H. Anderson |
| Mariner's No. 80 | Louisburg, | | |
| " " | .. | June 9, 1908 | Henry E. England |
| LaHave, No. 81 | Riverport, | | |
| " " | .. | Feb. 14, 1910 | Charles Fred Oxner |
| " " | .. " | Mar. 11, 1910 | Johnson F. Lohnes |
| Zarthan, No. 82 | Pubnico Head, | | |
| " " | .. | Feb. 7, 1910 | Charles Edw. Seeley |
| " " | .. " | Feb. 7, 1910 | William F. Morrissy |
| " " | .. " | Feb. 22, 1910 | John Avard Gayton |
| Inverness, No. 83 | Inverness, | | |
| " " | .. | Apr. 7, 1909 | Rev. J. W. A. Nickerson |
| " " | .. " | Sept. 18, 1909 | James Haggart |
| " " | .. " | Sept. 18, 1909 | John A. McMillan |
| " " | .. " | Sept. 18, 1909 | Daniel M. McDonald |
| " " | .. " | Dec. 1, 1909 | James D. Munro |
| " " | .. " | Dec. 1, 1909 | Joseph Hutchinson |
| Sydney, No. 84 | Sydney, | May 3, 1909 | Angus D. McIntyre |
| " " | .. " | July 26, 1909 | John Robt. Duff |
| " " | .. " | July 26, 1909 | James Gall Thomson |
| " " | .. " | July 26, 1909 | Wm. Benj. Parkinson |
| " " | .. " | July 26, 1909 | Gustav A. Frederickson |
| " " | .. " | Sept. 3, 1909 | Thomas Henderson |
| " " | .. " | Jan. 3, 1910 | Charles Dunn |
| Royal Oak, No. 85 | Sydney Mines, | | |
| " " | .. | Aug. 12, 1909 | Thomas Tickle |
| " " | .. " | Aug. 12, 1909 | Alexander Morrison |
| " " | .. " | Oct. 14, 1909 | Joseph W. Keeling |
| " " | .. " | Oct. 14, 1909 | Richard Walsh |

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| Royal Oak, No. 85.... | Sydney Mines, | | |
| " " .. | " | Nov. 3, 1909.. | Cairns O. Howlett |
| " " .. | " | Nov. 3, 1909.. | Solomon Knox |
| " " .. | " | Nov. 3, 1909.. | Charles J. Reily |
| " " .. | " | Feb. 18, 1910.. | Roderick Barkley |
| " " .. | " | Feb. 18, 1910.. | Wm. S. Cherywin |
| " " .. | " | Feb. 18, 1910.. | James Robt. Jackson |
| " " .. | " | Feb. 18, 1910.. | John McDonald |
| " " .. | " | Feb. 18, 1910.. | Wm. M. McKenzie |
| " " .. | " | Feb. 18, 1910.. | Fred. McDonald |
| King Edward, No. 86.. | River Hebert, | | |
| " " .. | | May 11, 1909.. | James Wass |
| " " .. | " | Aug. 10, 1909.. | Slyvanus K. Dysart |
| " " .. | " | Aug. 10, 1909.. | Alfred Wm. Rogers |
| " " .. | " | Sept. 14, 1909.. | Rev. Chas. M. Baird |
| " " .. | " | Sept. 14, 1909.. | Erwin Whylie Hannah |
| " " .. | " | Oct. 19, 1909.. | George Alex. Symes |
| " " .. | " | Oct. 19, 1909.. | James Robt. Christie |
| " " .. | " | Oct. 19, 1909.. | Gordon D. Barnhill |
| " " .. | " | Dec. 14, 1909.. | Max Bruce Hoegg |
| " " .. | " | Jan. 11, 1910.. | Avard M. Rockwell |
| " " .. | " | Jan. 11, 1910.. | Wm. Arthur McLeod |
| " " .. | " | Mar. 2, 1910.. | William Crooks |

# AFFILIATED.

| Lodge | Where Held | Date | Name | Former Lodge |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| St. Andrews, 1, | Halifax, | April 6, 09. | Douglas Bliss Hemeon | Hiram, 12, R. N. S. |
| " | " | March 1, 10, | George Albert Lawson | Corinthian 63, R. N. S. |
| St. John's, 2, | " | June 7, 09, | Thos. V. Woolrich | Royal Sussex, 6, R. N. S. |
| " | " | Oct. 4, 09, | James Absolom MacKay | Baalbec Lodge, Boston, Mass. |
| Virgin, 3, | " | April 26, 09, | Ernest J. M. Williams | Union of Portland, 10, G.L.N.B. |
| Unity, 4, | Lunenburg, | May 4, 09, | W. J. Walsh | Zetland, 9, R. N. S. |
| Albion, 5, | New Glasgow, | Oct. 8, 09, | Alex. B. Gray | Keith, 23, R. N. S. |
| " | " | Jan. 14, 10, | Rev. J. A. Ramsay | Ionic, 73, R. N. S. |
| " | " | Feb. 11, 10, | John James Fraser | Hudson, 77, R. N. S |
| St. Andrews, 7, | Sydney, | July 20, 09 | Rev. James L. Batty | Acacia, 8, R. N. S. |
| " | " | Mar. 9, 10, | Perley M. Bishop | St. George's, 20, R. N. S. |
| Acacia, 8, | Amherst, | April 3, 09, | Geo. Moore McDonald | Sydney, 84, R. N. S. |
| " | " | April 3, 09, | Geo. Ernest Ripley | Sydney, 84, R. N. S. |
| Zetland, 9, | Liverpool, | Oct. 28, 09, | Clyde S. Hennigar | Clarke, 61, R. N. S. |
| New Caledonia, | 11, Pictou, | April 13, 09, | William Cameron | Acacia, 39, R. N. S. |
| Hiram | 12, Yarmouth, | Aug. 2, 09 | red. Eugene Roop (Rev.) | Braymer, 135, Missouri. |
| Acadia, | 14, Halifax, | March 14, 1 , | Fred. Alex. Rogers | Acadia, 14, R. N. S. |
| Keith, | 16, Bear River, | April 26, 09, | Wm. Henry Fitzmaurice | Skibbereen, 15, Skibbereen, Ire. |
| " | " | March 7, 10, | William H. Smith | St, John's, 2, R. N. B. |
| Union, | 18, Halifax, | Aug. 16, 09, | Thomas Arthur, P. M. | Union, 18, R N. S. |
| St. George's, | 20, Wolfv lle, | April 9, | Chas. Alfred Bradbrook | Felix, 355, R. Scotland. |
| " | " | June 11, 09, | David Blythe Adamson | Dramatic, 1609, R England. |
| " | " | June 11, 09, | W. H. Chase | St. George's, 20, R. N. S. |
| " | " | Sept. 10, 09, | Ernest Robinson | Kentville, 58, R. N. S. |
| " | " | Dec. 10, 09, | D. W. Crandall | St. George's, 20, R. N. S. |
| Keith, | 23, Stellarton, | May 25, 09, | John M. Dunbar | Keith, 23, R. N. S. |
| " | " | July 29, 09' | Edward Herritt | New Caledonia, 11, R. N. S. |
| Welsford. | 26, Windsor, | April 8, 09, | Henry A. Harley | King Solomon, 54, R. N. S. |
| " | " | May 13, 09, | Aaron G. Blauvelt | Welsford, 26, R. N. S. |
| " | " | July 10, 09, | Olwell Clements Etter | Welsrord, 26, R. N. S. |
| " | " | Sept. 9, 09, | Owen Brown Keddy | Zetland, 9, R. N. S. |
| " | " | Nov. 11, 09, | Alonzo Mitchner | Poyntz, 44, R. N. S4 |
| " | " | Nov. 11, 09, | James A. Smith, | Poyntz, 44, R. N. S. |
| " | " | Jan. 13, 10, | Geo. Freeman Lyon | Poyntz, 44, R. N. S. |
| " | " | Feb. 10, 10, | Willam Feilden | Ruff, 240, R. S. C. |
| Scotia, | 28, Canning, | July 7, 09, | Ansel H. Holdsworth | King Solomon, 54, R. N. S. |
| Albert, | 30, Shelburne, | June 9, 09, | Charles Dexter | Anawan Lodge, Mass. |
| Annapolis Royal, | 33, Annapolis, | July 7, 09, | Thomas H. Reid | St. Andrew's, 1, R. N. S. |
| " | " | July 7, 09, | Byard M. Armstrong | Hibernia, 3, R. N. B. |
| St. Mark's, | 35, Baddeck, | June 19, 09. | Angus J. McDonald. | St. Mark's, 35, R. N. S. |
| " | " | Aug. 19 09, | Roderick D. McDonald | King Hiram, Provincet'wn, Mass |
| " | " | Dec. 16, 09, | Rev. Chas. C. McIntosh | Tyrian Youth, 45, R. N. S. |
| " | " | Feb. 18, 10, | John Blesedell | Royal Albert, 19, R. N. S. |
| Lodge of St. Mark, | 38, Halifax. | June 11, 09, | John Wm. Evans | Keith, 23, R. N. S. |
| " | " | July 19, 09, | Wm. K. McDonald | Sydney, 84, R. N. S. |

Rothsay, 41, Bridgetown, Aug. 5, 09 E. Pryor Caldwell.....Monterey, 242, Ville De Mexico.
" " Aug. 5, 09, Charles L. Banks.....St. George's, 20, R. N. S.
Truro, 43, Truro, April 5, 09, George Parker.....St. John's, 618, R. Scotland.
Tyrian, 45, Glace Bay, July 6, 09, Albert Blair Colborne.....Widow's Son, 48, R. N. S.
Eastern Star, 51, Dartmouth, Feb. 8, 10, Wm. C. Stapleton.....Albion, 5, R. N. S.
" " Mar. 8, 10, Jas. Alex. Calder.....St. John, 2, R. N. S.
" " April 12, 10, Cecil Edward Zinck..Charity, 69, R. N. S.
" " April 13, 09, John Moir.....Eastern Star, 51, R. N. S.
" " Dec. 13, 09, Herbert Woodall.....St. George's, 200, Bermuda.
Harmony, 56, Port Clyde, June 7, 09, Herman Swaine.....Harmony, 56, R. N. S.
" " Nov. 1, 09, Adam Bower Hamilton....Harmony, 56, R. N. S.
Temple, 57, Mulgrave, Sept. 2, 09, Wm John Cameron.....Queen's, 34, R. N. S.
" " Sept. 2, 09, Alexander Reeves.....Temple, 57, R. N. S.
" " Sept. 16, 09, John Maguire.....Temple, 57, R. N. S.
" " Sept. 16, 09, Alex. J. Wilkinson.....Solomon, 46, R. N. S.
" " Sept. 16, 09, John T. Reeves.....Temple, 57, R. N. S.
" " Oct. 7, 09, Geo. B. Hadley.....Temple, 57. R. N. S.
" " Oct. 7, 09, Wm. S. Wylde.....Temple, 57, R. N. S.
" " Oct. 21, 09, James S Ross.....Solomon, 46, R. N. S.
" " Nov. 4, 09. John A. McDonyld.....Solomon, 46, R. N. S.
" " Nov. 18, 09, Lorenzo R. Maguire.....Solomon, 46, R. N. S.
" " Dec. 2, 09, J. Robt. Sawyer.....Temple, 57, R. N. S.
" " Dec. 2, 09, Ernest A. Loggie.....Solomon, 46, R. N. S.
" " Dec. 2, 09, R. Albert Sutherland.....Keith, 23, R. N. S.
" " Dec. 2, 09, Henry F. McKay.....Solomon, 46, R. N. S.
" " Dec. 2, 09, John McKenzie, M. D.....Temple, 57, R. N. S.
" " Jan. 6, 10, Chas. A. Crittenden.....Temple, 57, R. N. S.
" " Mar. 3, 10, W. Stead Black.....Solomon, 46, R. N. S.
" " Mar. 3, 10, Frank L. Hart.....Eastern Light, 72, R. N. S.
Corinthian, 63, Great Village. June 3, 09, Percy Garfield Smith..Corinthian, 63, R. N S.
Minas, 67. Parrsboro, Oct. 18, 09, Clinton Cook.....Lebanon, 28, R. N. B.
" " Oct. 18, 09, George Buchanan.....Wimburn, 75, R. N. S.
Mechanics, 78, Caledonia, Feb. 10, 09, C. Randall Gates.....Wallace, 76, R. N. S.
Zarthan, 82, Pubnico, Jan. 3, 10, Aubrey Harwood.....Taylor, 72, R. N. S.
Inverness, 83, Inverness, June 2, 09, Walter Kirkwood.....Cumbaslang, 114, Scotland.
" " July 7, 09, James Garrett.....Royal Albert, 19, R. N. S.
Royal Oak, 85, Sydney Mines, Jan. 7, 10, Alex. McRoberts ....Woodhalt, St. John, 305, Scot'd.
" " June 18, 09, John Watson.....Major Ness, 648, Scotland.
King Edward, 86, River Hebert, May 11, 09, Wm. J. Moffat....Minas, 67, R. N. S.
" " Oct. 12, 09, Rev. J. A. Smith..Philadelphia, 47, R. N. S.

# REINSTATED BY PAYMENT OF DUES.

Albion, No. 5, New Glasgow, December, 10, 1909.....William H. Stiles
Royal Sussex, No. 6, Halifax, Nov. 4, 1909.....Welsford H. Tully
Zetland, No. 9, Liverpool, Oct. 28, 1909.....Charles O. Feener.
Burns, No. 10, Halifax, May 5, 1909,.....Solomon Fancy
Hiram, No. 12, Yarmouth, Jan. 3, 1910.....Samuel C. Hood.
Acadia, No. 14, Halifax, Sept. 13, 1909.....John A. Green
Athole, No. 15, " " 8, " .....James Kilgar
Keith, No. 16, Bear River, Nov. 9, " .....Isaiah Munro
" " " Feb. 7, 1910.....Rev. J. M. Parker.
Keith, No. 17, Halifax, Sept. 9, 1909.....Ernest Johnson
Union, No. 18, Halifax, July 19, " .....Joseph Berry
Welsford, No. 26, Windsor, Jan. 13, 1910, .....Charles E. Hobart
Albert, No. 30, Shelburne, May 12, 1909 .....Samuel Locke
Scotia, No, 31, Yarmouth, July 19, " .....Francis A. Baily
" " Mar. 21, 1910.....Spencer S. Holden
Annapolis Royal, No. 33, Annapolis, May 5, 1909.....B. Dukeshire
Queens, No. 34, Sherbrooke, July 6, 1909 .....Robt. E. Whitman
" " Feb.25, 1910.....John T. Romkey
Eureka, No. 42, Sheet Harbor, Sept. 1, 1909.....Reuben Balcom
Eastern Star, No. 51, Dartmouth, Oct. 12, 1909.....John Thornham
" " " Nov. 11, " .....Colin Campbell
Temple, No. 57, Mulgrave, April 15, 1909.....William A. Hattie
" " " " .....Daniel Stewart
" " " " .....Nathan Pushie
" " " " .....Joseph A. Cesale
Taylor, No. 62, Lockeport, Mar. 22, 1910 .....William A. William
" " " .....Atwood W. Giffin
Minas, No. 67, Parrsboro, May 17, 1909 .....C. C. Langill
" " June 21, " .....Robt. E. Tucker
" " July 2, " .....B. D. King
North Star, No. 74, Londonderry, Oct. 7, 1909.....J. R. Newhook
Hudson, No. 77, Thorburn, July 23, 1909.....Duncan A. McKenzie
Mechanics, No. 78, Caledonia, Feb. 10, 1910.....Charles Harlow

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St. Andrews, No. 1, Halifax, Mar. 1, 1910.....Alex. McKay, P. M.
Virgin, No. 3, Halifax, April 26, 1909.....M. A. Curry, M. D.
" " May 25, " .....David Conger
" " Dec. 27, " .....W. G. S. DeCarteret
" " " " .....J. Percy L. Stewart
" " Feb. 28, 1910 .....Frederick C. Clarke
" " " " .....Charles E. McLaggan
Albion, No. 5, New Glasgow, June 30, 1909.....Nathaniel U. Pushie
" " Dec. 7, " .....William C. Stapleton
Royal Sussex, No. 6, Halifax, May 6, " .....Thomas V. Woolrich
" " " Oct. 7, " .....Alexander K. Moilliet
" " " Dec. 2, " .....Hedley Vickers Wier
" " " Mar. 3, 1910.....Graham Creighton
Acacia, No. 8, Amherst, Mar. 3, 1910.....William Clark
" " " .....Charles E. Baker
" " " .....George Stevenson
" " " .....Samuel McClary
" " " .....I. Mitchell Tweedie
" " April 1, " .....Fred H. Eaton
Zetland, No. 9, Liverpool, Aug. 22, 1909.....Owen B Keddy, M. D.
Burns, No. 10, Halifax, June 2, 1909.....C. E. Johnson
" " Mar. 2, 1910.....Robert A. Croucher
" " " " .....L. B Elliott
" " " " .....George H. Hartley
New Caledonia, No. 11, Pictou,.....Edward Herritt
" " " .....Kenneth H. Munro
" " " .....Reginald C. Woodbury
" " " .....C. H. C. McLarren
Hiram, No. 12, Yarmouth, May 3, 1909.....Rev. D. R. Hemeon
" " " .....Charles T. Munro
" " Mar. 7, .....Fred M. Cosman
Acadia, No. 14, Halifax, Dec. 13, 1909.....John Ross Spruce
" " " .....Myra Pliskow
Athole, No. 15, Halifax, Sept. 8, 1909,.....J. H. Armstrong
Keith, No. 15, Bear River, Jan. 3, 1910.....Rev. Israel W. Porter.
" " Mar. 7, 1910.....Rev. J. M. Parker
Keith, No. 17, Halifax, Sept. 9, 1909.....Ernest Johnson

Royal Albert, No. 19, North Sydney, June 21.....James Garrett
" " " Dec. 20.....John Bleosdale
" " " " .....O. M. Lancaster
St. Georges, No. 20, Wolfville, Jan. 14, 1910.....David Wright
" " Feb. 11 " .....F. W. Sadfrey
" " " .....C. J. Muscereau
" " " ..... J. W. Regan
" " March 11 .....J. D. Spidell
" " " .....Percy M. Bishop
Keith, No. 23, Stelarton, Sept 28, 1909.....John Wm. Evans
" " Nov. 23 " .....Robert A. Sutherland
" " Mar. 22, 1910.....Chas. A. Macdonald
" " " .....Daniel McIntosh
Welsford, No. 26, Windsor, Jan. 13, 1910.....Frank T. Pugsley
" " " .....Charles E. Hobert
Prince of Wales, No. 29, Milton, Oct. 12, 1909..... Rev. Charles H. Day
" " " .....James N. Wentzel
Scotia, No. 31, Yarmouth, Oct. 18, 1909.....William R. Morse
" " Mar. 21, 1910.....Edward D. Churchill
" " " .....Rev. A. J. Prasser
Queens, No. 34, Sherbrooke, June 1, 1909.....Wm. J. Cameron
" " Mar. 15, 1910.....William T. Pye
Lodge of St. Mark, No. 38, Halifax, April 9, 1909.....Richard B. Wilch
" " May 14, " ....Thomas H. Reid
" " July 9, " .....Melville A. Shaffner
" " Mar. 11, 1910 ....Harry A. Barnett
" " " .....Ernest Frank Cribb
Eureka, No. 42, Sheet Harbor, May 5, 1909.....George H. Moser
" Feb. 2, 1910.....Francis Otto Collings
Truro 43, Truro, Oct. 4, 1909..... .....H. Veeder Bigelow,PM
Tyrian Youth, No. 45, Glace Bay, June 22, 1909.....Rev. Alfred E. Race.
" " " July 27, " .....Rev. C. C. McIntosh
" " " " .....Robert Henderson
Solomon, No. 46, Port Hawkesbury, Nov. 30, 1909..Henry A. McKay
" " " ....Ernest A. Loggie
" " Jan. 25, 1910 ...William S. Black
" " Mar. 22, " ..Peter A. Grant
" " Aug. 31, 1909...Alex. A. Wilkerson
" " Sept. 28, " ..Joseph A. Cesale
" " " John A. McMcDonald

Solomon, No. 46, Port Hawkesbury, Sept. 28, 1909 ..James S. Ross
" " Oct. 26, 1909 ..Lorenzo R. Maguire
Philadelphia, No. 47, Barrington, March 1, 1910.....Rev. Norman Whitman
" " April 1, " .....A. L. Matheson
Widow's Son, No. 48, River Philip, June 7, 1909.....Albert B. Colburn
Western Star, No. 50, Westville, Aug. 1, " .....David Conn
Harmony, No. 52, Aylesford, March 7, 1910.....Watson Gould
" " " .....Rev. Lewis F. Wallace
King Solomon, No. 54, Digby, May 4, 1909 .....A. H. Holdsworth
" " March 1, 1910.....John S. Henderson
Kentville, No. 58, Kentville, June 14, 1909.....Ernest W. Robinson
" " March 14, 1910 .....Edward A. Moore
Clarke, No. 61, Chester, July 8, 1910 .....Clyde S. Hennigar
Taylor, No. 62, Lockeport, Aug. 24, 1909.....Aubrey Horwood
Corinthian, No. 63, Great Village, Sept. 23, 1906.....Minor S. Dickson, P.M.
" " Feb. 24, 1910....Amos Corbett, P. M.
" " Marsh 24, 1910....George Albert Lawson
Minas, No. 67, Parrsboro, Nov. 15, 1909.....Dr. Lawson A. Soley
" " Dec. 20, " .....Charles S. Morton
" " Jan. 17, 1910.....Hibbert J. Johnson
Charity, No. 69, Mahone Bay, Dec. 30, 1909.....Rev. E. H. Ramsay
Laurie, No. 70, Springhill, " .....John Lloyd
" " " .....Lawrence B. Moss
Eastern Light, No. 72, Guysboro, Aug. 19, 1909.....Frank Leslie Hart
North Star, No. 74, Londonderry, Feb. 3, 1910.....Francis Parks, P. M.
Wimburn, No. 75, Oxford, Aug. 29, 1909.....George Ern. Buchanan
Hudson, No. 77, Thorburn, May 28, " .....John James Fraser
Mariners, No, 80, Louisburg, July 13, " .....Hans Augusta H. Otto
" " Oct. 13, 1908.....Eaton England Henry
Sydney, No. 84, Sydney, May 24, 1909.....George E. Ripley
" " " .....George M. MacDonald
" " June 30, 1909.....J. F. Leslie

# SUSPENDED FOR NON-PAYMENT OF DUES.

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Albion, No. 5, New Glasgow, Mar. 11, 1910.....Thomas W. Cameron
" " " .....J. Fred. Sharpe
Royal Sussex, No. 6, Halifax, July 1, 1909.....William T. Short
St. Andrews, No. 7, Sydney, Feb. 15, 1910.....Harry M. Mersereau
" " " .....Edmund T. McKeen
Zetland, No. 9, Liverpool, Mar. 24, 1910.....John W. Chisholm
" " " .....Jervis J. Domonie
" " " .....Edward Dumphy
" " " .....Patrick R. McAuliffe
" " " .....Charles H. McNutt
" " " .....John J. Porter
Burns, No. 10, Halifax, Jan. 5, " .....C. L. Ball
" " " 1910.....C. R. Woodroffe
Acadia, No. 14, Halifax, Feb. 14, 1910.....Danl A. Doherty, P.M.
" " " .....Charles C. Clarke
" " " .....Malcom J. Comyn
" " " .....John Ford
" " " .....William Jussup
" " " .....Charles Merritt
" " " .....James Seeley
" " " .....Charles E. Stewart
Aihole, No. 15, Halifax, Mar. 9, 1910.....William U. Dauphnee
" " " .....Augustus Murray
" " " .....J. T. H. Shields
" " " .....Fred. Ward
" " " .....Michael Tipper
Royal Albert, No. 19, North Sydney, Mar. 21, 1910. Wm. J. Campbell
St. George's, No. 20. Wolfville, May 14, 1909. S. E. Elliott
" " " .....E. E. Hosterman
Scotia, No. 31, Yarmouth, March 21, 1910.....Charles E. Beveridge
Queens, No. 34, Sherbrooke, Sept. 21, 1909.....Hugh Robertson
" " " .....Arthur McKinlay
St. Marks, No. 35, Baddeck, March 17, 1910.....Charles J. Campbell

Thistle, No. 36, Port Morien, April 1, 1910.....R. D. Anderson, P.M.
" " " ... .....S. E. Landy, P. M.
" " " ..... Daniel Matheson.
" " " .....Hector MacDonald
" " " .....Samuel S. Orr, M. D.
" " " .....Lewis G. Spencer
" " " .....A. A. Ferguson, P. M.
" " " .....Cenric E. Rees, P. M.
Solomon, No. 46, Port Hawkesbury, Feb. 22, 1910..James D. Hartigan
King Solomon, No. 54, Digby, March 1, 1910.....Louis Kominsky
" " " E. C. Noble
Harmony, No. 56, Port Clyde, April 4, " .....Hugh C. Kelly
Minas, No. 67, Parrsboro, Feb. 21, 1910 ... ... .....James W. Day
Wimburn, No 75, Oxford, Aug. 27, 1909.....William Oxley, Jr.
" " " .....Chesley Smith
" " " ..... .....C. F. Bigelow
" " " ..... W. W. Black
" " " .....Frederick H. Spinney
" " " .....J. F. Lewis
" " Sept. 24, 1909 .....D. H. Chisholm
Wallace, No. 76, Wallace, June 28, 1909.....Robert Blair
Canso, No. 79, Canso, Mar. 4, 1910.....Alexander McDonald

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## SUSPENDED FOR UNMASONIC CONDUCT.

Albert, No, 30, Shelburne, Dec. 8, 1909.....George S. Goulden

# MISSING.

St. Andrews, No. 1, Halifax.....Albert H. Fair
Royal Sussex, No. 6, Halifax.....Alexander M. Gibson
Burns, No. 10, Halifax.....Charles Robinson
New Caledonia, No. 11, Pictou.....Fred. B. Rushworth
Acadia, No. 14, Halifax .....Charles G. Creelman
" " .....Morris Pollok
" " .....Charles Willis
Keith, No. 16, Bear River.....Frederick W. Rice
" " .....Edward W. Spurr
" " .....Norman W. Chute
" " ..... Wallace A. Purdy, P. M.
Keith, No. 17, Halifax,.....Domnic Bianculli
" " .....Frederick Bonnard
" " .....Angus Fitzpatrick
" " .....Colin C. Jeans
Keith, No. 23, Stellarton.....James Grant
Scotia, No. 31, Yarmouth.....Rev. Richard Shrieve
" " .....John Taylor
Queens, No. 34, Sherbrooke.....Thomas A. Tate
Western Star, No. 50, Westville .....Robert J. Barritt
" " .....William Burnett
" " .....Matthew Reid
Kentville, No. 58, Kentville.....Frank L. Hogan
Laurie, No. 70, Springhill .....Henry H. Archibald
" " .....Morris Benjamin
" " .....Wm. C. Black
" " .....James A. Delancey
" " .....Isaiah Daly
" " .....Peter Graham
" " .....Charles Hart
" " .....Major Hyslop
" " .....John Pearson
Hudson, No. 77, Thorburn.....James R. M. McLean
" " .....G. W. B. Macdonald
Canso, No. 79, Canso.....William Johnstone
" " .....William McDonald
Mariners, No. 80, Louisburg.....Henry Etta

# At Rest

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|---|---|---|---|
| St. Andrew's No. 1, Halifax | James Dempster | May 8 | 1909 |
| Unity, No. 4, Lunenburg | John L. Hammett | Nov. 15 | 1909 |
| Albion, No. 5, New Glasgow | Alphonso J. McDearmid | May 6 | 1909 |
| " " | Henry A. Wolfe | Mar. 6 | 1910 |
| Royal Sussex, No. 6, Halifax | Wm. Albert Prindiville, P. M. | Apr. 16 | 1909 |
| " " | James McLearn, P. M. | May, 18 | 1909 |
| St. Andrew's, No. 7, Sydney | Thomas Boutilier | Aug. 29 | 1909 |
| Acacia, No. 8, Amherst | Allan Luther Baker | June 16 | 1909 |
| " " | N. A. Rhodes | Sept. 30 | 1909 |
| " " | Allan E. McLean | Oct. 31 | 1909 |
| " " | H. Cumberland Wilson | Feb. 8 | 1910 |
| " " | John W. Tay or | eb. 8 | 1910 |
| Burns, No. 10, Halifax | John A. Hancock. P. M. | Mar | " |
| New Caledonia, No. 11, Pictou | Neil Fraser | July 1 | 1909 |
| Hiram, No. 12, Yarmouth | James A. Porter | Nov. 24 | 1909 |
| " " | Fred C. Ryerson | Jan. 8 | 1910 |
| Acadia, No. 14, Halifax | Thomas Graham Creelman | May 4 | 1909 |
| Athole, No. 15, " | Charles G. Saunders | Jan 23 | 1910 |
| Keith, No. 16, Bear River | George Emmerson | July 9 | 1909 |
| Keith, No. 17, Halifax | Thomas Arthur | Jan. 10 | 1910 |
| Union, No. 18, Halifax | Peter Bushinpin | Nov. 23 | 1909 |
| Keith, No. 23, Stellarton | James Maxwell, P. M. | July 22 | 1909 |
| " | Hugh Flemming | Feb. 14 | 1910 |
| Welsford, No. 26, Windsor | Thomas A. Malcolm | Aug. 15 | 1909 |
| " | Edward W. Dalton | Sept. 21 | 1909 |
| " | Thos. Alexander Lawrence | Dec. 9 | 1909 |
| Prince of Wales, No. 29, Milton | David J. Freeman | Aug. 12 | 1909 |
| Scotia, No. 31, Yarmouth | Duncan Campbell | Sept. 8 | 1909 |
| " | John Wesley Higby | Oct. 28 | 1909 |
| Annapolis Royal, 33, Annapolis | Samuel Potter | Oct. 26 | 1909 |
| Queens, No. 34, Sherbrooke | Spurgeon Stanley Johnson | Sept. 13 | 1909 |
| Rothsay, No. 41, Bridgetown | Benjamin Starratt | Apr. 6 | 1909 |
| " " | Martin A. Otterson | Feb. 11 | 1910 |
| Eureka, No. 42, Sheet Harbor | Alexander Routledge | Aug. 4 | 1909 |
| " | Leonard Whitman | Mar. 1 | 1910 |
| Truro, No. 43, Truro | Gardner Clish, Sr | July 25 | 1909 |
| Solomon, No. 46, Port Hawkesbury | William F. McQuarrie | Aug. 7 | 1909 |
| Phi adelphia, No. 47, Barrington | Paul E. Crowell, P. D. G. M. | Apr. 27 | 1909 |
| " | James Nickerson | May 18 | 1909 |
| " | Cedric Robertson | Jan. 26 | 1910 |
| Western Star, No. 50, Westville | John Livingston | July 12 | 1909 |
| " | James Roy | Sept. 30 | 1909 |
| Eastern Star, No. 51, Dartmouth | John White, P. M. | July 10 | 1909 |
| King Solomon, No. 54, Digby | John Morton Viets | Mar 3 | 1910 |
| Kentville, No. 58, Kentville | John R. Haystead | Dec. 11 | 1909 |
| Clarke, No. 61, Chester | John Sianley Zinck | Dec. 31 | 1909 |
| Minas, No. 67, Parrsboro | Henry Elliott | Dec. 29 | 1909 |
| Charity, No. 69, Mahone Bay | Timothy Nicols | Dec. 29 | 1909 |
| Eastern Light, No. 92, Guysboro | Alex. Walsh | Aug. 3 | 1909 |
| onic, No. 73, Middleton | A. J. Hatfield | July 27 | 1909 |
| Wallace, No. 76, Wallace | Murdock Nic lson | May 15 | 1909 |
| Mechanics, No. 78, Caledonia | Walter H. Johnson | Feb. 20 | 1910 |
| LaHave, No. 81, Riverport | Rev. G. A. Leck | Aug. 16 | 1909 |
| Zarthan, No. 82, Pubnico Head | Alonzo Lincoln Spinney | Aug. 11 | 1909 |
| Sydney, No. 84, Sydney | James D. Finlayson | Mar. 22 | 1910 |
| " | Albert M. McLeod | Mar 29 | 1910 |

# In Memory

OF

RIGHT WORSHIPFUL

# Paul E. Crowell

PAST MASTER

OF

**Philadelphia Lodge, No. 47, Barrington**

AND

DISTRICT DEPUTY GRAND MASTER

FOR

## DISTRICT NUMBER FOUR

FOR THE YEARS 1899 AND 1900

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*Died April 27, 1909.*

# In Memory

OF THE

## Illustrious Dead of other Jurisdictions.

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M. W. Bro. HENRY ORANGE WARNER,
Past Grand Master Grand Lodge of Connecticut,
Died May 8, 1909.

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M. W. Bro. BRADNER D. SLAUGHTER,
Past Grand Master Grand Lodge of Nebraska,
Died May 8, 1909.

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M. W. Bro. FRANCIS MARION ZUCK,
Past Grand Master Grand Lodge of Arizona,
Died July 16, 1909.

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M. W. Bro. JOSEPH ROBBINS,
Past Grand Master Grand Lodge of Illinois,
Died July 19, 1909.

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M. W Bro. RUFUS EASTON ANDERSON,
Past Grand Master Grand Lodge of Missouri,
Died July 27, 1909.

W. Bro. JAMES W. NULL,
Grand Tyler Grand Lodge of Missouri,
Died August 3, 1909.

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R. W. Bro. MELVIN EDWARDS,
Grand Lecturer Grand Lodge of Colorado,
Died August 4, 1909.

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R. W. Bro. WM. H. MILLER,
Past Deputy Grand Master Grand Lodge of South Dakota
Died October 3, 1909.

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M. W. Bro. WILLIAM MOORE CUNNINGHAM,
Past Grand Master Grand Lodge of Ohio,
Died August 16, 1909.

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R. W. Bro. BLIGH E. WOOD,
Past Senior Grand Warden Grand Lodge of South Dakota,
Died October 17, 1909.

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M. W. Bro. ANSALEM JOHNSON DAVIDSON,
Past Grand Master Grand Lodge of Montana,
Died October 24, 1909.

M. W. Bro. MICHAEL A. MURPHY,

Past Grand Master Grand Lodge of Nevada,

Died October 26, 1909.

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M. W. Bro. FRANK DANA WOODBURY,

Past Grand Master and Grand Secretary Grand Lodge of New Hampshire.

Died November 1909.

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R. W. Bro. JOHN DUNBAR BAINES,

P. S. G. W. Grand Lodge of W. Virginia,

Died January 11, 1910.

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W. Bro. JACOB KING,

Grand Tyler Grand Lodge of Nebraska,

Died January19, 1910.

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M. W. Bro. KONSCINSCO KEMPER,

Past Grand Master Grand Lodge of Virginia,

Died January 26, 1910.

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M. W. Bro. THOMAS MARION PULESTON,

Past Grand Master Grand Lodge of Florida,

Died February 10, 1910.

M. W. Bro. DANIEL NOYES,

Past Grand Master Grand Lodge of Indiana,

Died March 13, 1910.

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R. W. Bro. ZIMMERMAN DAVIS,

Grand Treasurer Grand Lodge of South Carolina,

Died March 30, 1910.

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M. W. Bro. SAMUEL R. PETERS,

Past Grand Master Grand Lodge of Kansas,

Died April 22, 1910.

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M. W. Bro. FRANK JARED THOMPSON,

Past Grand Master and Grand Secretary Grand Lodge of North Dakota,

Died February 25, 1910.

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|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 1 | St. Andrew's | Halifax | 5 | 8 | 9 | | 2 | 1 | 1 | 1 | | | | | 8 | | 173 |
| 2 | St. John's | " | 3 | 3 | 3 | | 2 | | | | | | | | 5 | | 74 |
| 3 | Virgin | " | 3 | 4 | 4 | | 1 | | | | | | | 1 | | 1 | 107 |
| 4 | Unity | Lunenburg | 4 | 4 | 4 | | 1 | | 1 | | | | | 3 | 4 | | 99 |
| 5 | Albion | New Glasgow | 10 | 9 | 12 | 1 | 3 | 2 | 2 | | 2 | | | 1 | 10 | | 150 |
| 6 | Royal Sussex | Halifax | 8 | 9 | 5 | 1 | | 4 | 2 | 2 | 1 | | | | | 3 | 111 |
| 7 | St. Andrew's | Sydney | 16 | 13 | 16 | | 2 | | 1 | | 2 | | | 10 | 15 | | 232 |
| 8 | Acacia | Amherst | 15 | 16 | 18 | | 2 | 6 | 5 | | | | | 5 | 9 | | 213 |
| 9 | Zetland | Liverpool | 1 | 1 | 2 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | | 6 | | | 1 | | 2 | 107 |
| 10 | Burns | Halifax | 28 | 28 | 23 | 1 | | 4 | 1 | 1 | 2 | | | 2 | 16 | | 172 |
| 11 | New Caledonia | Pictou | 6 | 4 | 6 | | 3 | 4 | 1 | 1 | | | | 6 | 3 | | 116 |
| 12 | Hiram | Yarmouth | 8 | 9 | 6 | 1 | 1 | 3 | 2 | | | | | | 3 | | 108 |
| 13 | Acadia | Pugwash | 6 | 6 | 6 | | | | | | | | | | 6 | | 53 |
| 14 | Acadia | Halifax | 2 | 3 | 4 | 1 | 1 | 2 | 1 | 3 | 8 | | | 4 | | 8 | 98 |
| 15 | Athole | " | 8 | 8 | 9 | 1 | | 1 | 1 | | 5 | | | 2 | 3 | | 109 |
| 16 | Keith | Bear River | 5 | 11 | 10 | 2 | 2 | 2 | 1 | 4 | | | | 1 | 7 | | 65 |
| 17 | Keith | Halifax | 7 | 8 | 9 | 1 | | 1 | 1 | 4 | | | | | 4 | | 81 |
| 18 | Union | " | 4 | 9 | 9 | 1 | 1 | | 1 | | | | | | 10 | | 74 |
| 19 | Royal Albert | North Sydney | 5 | 5 | 6 | | | 3 | | | 1 | | | 4 | 2 | | 99 |
| 20 | St. George's | Wolfville | 6 | 6 | 7 | | 5 | 6 | | | 2 | | | | 4 | | 84 |
| 23 | Keith | Stellarton | 13 | 15 | 18 | 1 | 2 | 4 | 2 | 1 | | | | 2 | 14 | | 161 |
| 24 | Concord | Clark's Harbor | 3 | 4 | 7 | | | | | | | | | | 7 | | 72 |
| 26 | Welsford | Windsor | 25 | 19 | 17 | 1 | 8 | 2 | 3 | | | | | 9 | 21 | | 114 |
| 28 | Scotia | Canning | 5 | 5 | 5 | | 1 | | | | | | | | 5 | | 36 |
| 29 | Prince of Wales | Milton | | | | | | 2 | 1 | | | | | | | 3 | 54 |

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|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 30 | Albert | Shelburne | 8 | 6 | 5 | 1 | 1 | | | | | 1 | | | 7 | | 55 |
| 31 | Scotia | Yarmouth | 14 | 13 | 14 | | 2 | 3 | 2 | 2 | 2 | | | 4 | 7 | | 107 |
| 32 | Eldorado | Port Hilford | 1 | 1 | 1 | | | | | | | | | | | | 20 |
| 33 | Annapolis Royal | Annapolis | 5 | 6 | 7 | 1 | 2 | | 1 | | | | | | 9 | | 92 |
| 34 | Queen's | Sherbrooke | 1 | 3 | 3 | 2 | | 2 | 1 | 1 | 2 | | | | | 1 | 82 |
| 35 | St. Marks's | Baddeck | 21 | 20 | 13 | | 4 | | | | 1 | | | | 16 | | 96 |
| 36 | Thistle | Port Morien | 5 | 2 | 1 | | | | | | 8 | | | | | 7 | 109 |
| 38 | Lodge of St. Mark | Halifax | 15 | 14 | 16 | | 2 | 5 | | | | | | 1 | 13 | | 140 |
| 39 | Acacia | Bridgewater | 9 | 10 | 6 | | | | | | | | | | 6 | | 123 |
| 41 | Rothsay | Bridgetown | 5 | 6 | 6 | | 2 | | 2 | | | | | | 6 | | 59 |
| 42 | Eureka | Sheet Harbor | 13 | 8 | 7 | | 1 | 2 | 2 | | | | | 3 | 4 | | 84 |
| 43 | Truro | Truro | 6 | 10 | 10 | | 1 | | 1 | | | | | 5 | 9 | | 181 |
| 45 | Tyrian Youth | Glace Bay | 14 | 13 | 13 | | 1 | 3 | | | | | | | 11 | | 216 |
| 46 | Solomon | Pt. Hawkesbury | 3 | 3 | 4 | | | 9 | 1 | | 1 | | | 4 | | 7 | 74 |
| 47 | Philadelphia | Barrington | 3 | 3 | 5 | | | 2 | 3 | | | | | | | | 60 |
| 48 | Widow's Son | River Philip | 2 | 2 | 2 | | | 1 | | | | | | | 1 | | 18 |
| 50 | Western Star | Westville | 5 | 5 | 8 | | | | 2 | 3 | | | | | 3 | | 149 |
| 51 | Eastern Star | Dartmouth | 10 | 15 | 16 | 2 | 5 | | 1 | | | | | | 22 | | 107 |
| 52 | Harmony | Aylesford | 8 | 8 | 8 | | | 2 | | | | | | 1 | 6 | | 67 |
| 54 | King Solomon | Digby | 3 | 2 | 2 | | | 2 | 1 | | 2 | | | | | 3 | 41 |
| 56 | Harmony | Port Clyde | 3 | 3 | 3 | | 2 | | | | | 1 | | 1 | 4 | | 36 |
| 57 | Temple | Mulgrave | 5 | 5 | 5 | 4 | 22 | | | | | | | 4 | 27 | | 27 |
| 58 | Kentville | Kentville | 12 | 9 | 8 | | | 2 | 1 | 1 | | | | | 4 | | 76 |
| 61 | Clarke | Chester | 2 | 2 | 2 | | | 1 | 1 | | | | | | | | 34 |
| 62 | Taylor | Lockeport | 2 | 2 | 2 | 2 | 1 | 1 | | | | | | | 4 | | 53 |
| 63 | Corinthian | Great Village | 2 | 6 | 4 | | 1 | 3 | | | | | | | 2 | | 30 |
| 65 | Freeport | Freeport | 5 | 3 | 3 | | | | | | | | | | 3 | | 42 |
| 66 | Sircom | Whycocomagh | 4 | 6 | 9 | | | | | | | | | 1 | 9 | | 37 |
| 67 | Minas | Parrsboro | 11 | 10 | 9 | 3 | 2 | 3 | 1 | | 1 | | | 3 | 9 | | 59 |
| 69 | Charity | Mahone | 2 | 1 | 1 | | | 1 | 1 | | | | | 2 | | 1 | 43 |
| 70 | Laurie | Springhill | 5 | 7 | 7 | | | 2 | | 9 | | | | 4 | | 4 | 149 |
| 72 | Eastern Light | Guysboro | 1 | 1 | 1 | | | 1 | 1 | | | | | | | 1 | 44 |
| 73 | Ionic | Middleton | 6 | 6 | 7 | | 1 | | | | | | | | 8 | | 80 |
| 74 | North Star | Londonderry | 5 | 4 | 3 | 1 | 1 | 1 | | | | | | 1 | 4 | | 51 |
| 75 | Wimburn | Oxford | 2 | 2 | 2 | | | 1 | | | 7 | | | | | 6 | 25 |
| 76 | Wallace | Wallace | 7 | 7 | 7 | 1 | | | 1 | | | | | | 7 | | 37 |

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|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 77 | Hudson | Thorburn | 2 | 2 | 2 | 1 | ... | 1 | ... | 2 | ... | ... | ... | ... | | ... | 43 |
| 78 | Mechanics | Caledonia | 9 | 7 | 7 | 1 | 1 | ... | 1 | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | 8 | | 35 |
| 79 | Canso | Canso | 6 | 4 | 4 | ... | ... | ... | ... | 2 | 1 | ... | ... | ... | 1 | ... | 41 |
| 80 | Mariners | Louisburg | 4 | ... | ... | ... | ... | 1 | ... | 1 | ... | ... | ... | 2 | ... | 2 | 63 |
| 81 | LaHave | Riverport | 2 | 2 | 2 | ... | 1 | ... | ... | 1 | ... | ... | ... | ... | 2 | ... | 65 |
| 82 | Zarthan | Pubnico Head | 1 | 2 | 3 | ... | 1 | ... | 1 | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | 3 | ... | 50 |
| 83 | Inverness | Inverness | 11 | 5 | 6 | ... | 2 | | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | 8 | ... | 69 |
| 84 | Sydney | Sydney | 6 | 6 | 8 | ... | ... | 3 | 2 | ... | ... | ... | ... | 1 | 3 | ... | 108 |
| 85 | Royal Oak | Sydney Mines | 14 | 13 | 13 | ... | 2 | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | 3 | 15 | ... | 55 |
| 86 | King Edward | River Hebert | 14 | 13 | 12 | ... | 2 | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | 14 | ... | 42 |
| | Alexandra U D | Amherst | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... |
| | | | 490 | 485 | 492 | 32 | 98 | 106 | 55 | 39 | 54 | 1 | ... | 91 | 413 | 49 | 6037 |

# RECAPITULATION.

## FOR THE YEAR ENDING 31ST MARCH, 1910.

| | |
|---|---|
| Chartered Lodges | 71 |
| Lodges under Dispensation | 1 |
| Whole number Initiated | 490 |
| Passed | 485 |
| Raised | 492 |
| Affiliated | 98 |
| Re-instated | 32 |
| Dimitted | 106 |
| Died | 55 |
| Missing | 39 |
| Suspended for non-payment of dues | 54 |
| Master Masons subscribing | 6037 |
| " " last year | 5673 |
| Gain | 364 |

## Lodges Forming the Union on the 24th day of June, 1869.

*Registry of England.*

St. Andrew's ..... *Halifax*
St. John's ..... "
Virgin ..... "
Unity ..... *Lunenburg*
Albion ..... *New Glasgow*
Royal Sussex ..... *Halifax*
St. Andrew's ..... *Sydney*
Zetland ..... *Liverpool*
New Caledonia ..... *Pictou*
Hiram ..... *Yarmouth*
Acadia ..... *Pugwash*
Keith ..... *Bear River*
Union ..... *Halifax*
St. George's ..... *Wolfville*
Keith ..... *Stellarton*
Westport ..... *Westport*
Welsford ..... *Windsor*
Widow's Friend ..... *Weymouth*
Scotia ..... *Canning*
Prince of Wales ..... *Milton*
Annapolis Royal ..... *Annapolis*
Thistle ..... *Port Morien*
Cobequid ..... *Truro*
Tyrian Youth ..... *Glace Bay*
Rothsay ..... *Bridgetown*

*Registry of Nova Scotia.*

Burns ..... *Halifax*
Acadia ..... "
Keith ..... "
Scotia ..... "
Davies ..... *Wilmot*
Albert ..... *Shelburne*
Concord ..... *Clark's Harbor*
St. Mark's ..... *Baddeck*
Queen's ..... *Sherbrooke*
The Lodge of St. Mark ..... *Halifax*
Eureka ..... *Sheet Hasbor*
Acacia ..... *Amherst*
Truro ..... *Truro*
Eldorado ..... *Port Hilford*
Scotia ..... *Yarmouth*
Royal Albert ..... *North Sydney*
Solomon ..... *Port Hawkesbury*
Acacia ..... *Bridgewater*
Poyntz ..... *Hantsport*
Widow's Son ..... *River Philip*
Orient ..... *Halifax*
Western Star ..... *Westville*
Philadelphia ..... *Barrington*
Eastern Star ..... *Dartmouth*
Harmony ..... *Aylesjord*
Ophir ..... *Tangier*

*Registry of Scotland.*

Athole ..... *Halifax.*

## Executive Officers of the G. L. of Nova Scotia from its Organization in 1866 to the Present Year.

| | GRAND MASTER | DEP. GRAND MASTER. | SENIOR GRAND WARDEN. | JUNIOR GRAND WARDEN. | GRAND TR ASURER | GRAND SECRETARY. | SUBSTITUTE GRAND MASTER |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 1866 | W. H. Davies | *W. Taylor | *R. J. Romans | *G. Garvie | *A. K. Mackinlay | *C. J. Macdonald | *J. R. Graham |
| 1867 | W. H. Davies | *S. R. Sircom | *W. Williams | *A. Busby | *A. K. Mackinlay | *C. J. Macdonald | *R. Breckin |
| 1868 | *S R. Sircom | *A. C. age | *G. T. Smithers | *L. Melvin | *A. K. Mackinlay | *C. J. Macdonald | N. W. White |
| 1869 | *Alex. Keith | *James Forman | *J. R. Ritchie | *H. J. Marshall | *A. K. Mackinlay | *H. C. D. Twining | *C. J. Macdonald |
| 1870 | *Alex. Keith | *W. Taylor | A. H. Crowe | G. R. Rigby | *A. K. Mackinlay | *Ben Curren | |
| 1871 | *Alex. Keith | *A. H. Crowe | *S. G. Rigby | *S. F. Raymond | *A. K. Mackinlay | *Ben Curren | (This office abolished in 1869.) |
| 1872 | *Alex. Keith | *S. G. Rigby | *H. Shaw | W. T. Wilkins | *A. K. Mackinlay | *Ben Curren | |
| 1873 | *Alex. Keith | *W. Taylor | F. W. Dakin | D. Pottinger | *A. K. Mackinlay | *Ben Curren | |
| 1874 | J. W. Laurie | *A. H. Crowe | *Rev. A. Avery | Rev. J. B. Richardson | *A. K. Mackinlay | *Ben Curren | |
| 1875 | J. W. Laurie | *A. H. Crowe | *Rev. R. Avery | J. F. Macdonald | *A. K. Mackinlay | *Ben Curren | |
| 1876 | J. W. Laurie | *A. H. Crowe | *Rev. R. Avery | J. Hudson | *A. K. Mackinlay | *Ben Curren | |
| 1877 | J. W. Laurie | *Rev. R. Avery | *A. H. W odill | J. Hudson | *A. K. Mackinlay | *Ben Curren | |
| 1878 | J. W. Laurie | *A. H. Woodill | *J. Gossip | N. Tupper | *A. K. Mackinlay | *Ben Curren | |
| 1879 | J. W. Laurie | J. Hudson | A. Mclean | *E. E. Tupper | *A. K. Mackinlay | *Ben Curren | |
| 1880 | *A. H. Crowe | *L. Johnstone | *E. E. Tupper | S. H. Pelton | *A. K. Mackinlay | *Ben Curren | |
| 1881 | *W. Taylor | T. A. Cossman | *T. R. Harris | L. F. Darling | *James Dempster. | *Ben Curren | |
| 1882 | J. W. Laurie | *Rev. D. Moore | *D. C. Fraser | *S. Porter | *James Dempster. | *Ben Curren | |
| 1883 | J. W. Laurie | *D. C. Fraser | *W. E. Starratt | W. Ross | *James Dempster. | *Ben Curren | |
| 1884 | J. W. Laurie | *W. E. Starratt | J. R. Green | R. L. Black | *James Dempster. | *Ben Curren | |
| 1885 | J. W. Laurie | W. Ross | *C. F. Cochran | H. T. Sutherland | *James Dempster | *Ben Curren | |
| 1886 | *L. Johnstone | *C. E. Cochran | H. T. Sutherland | A. Rogers | *James Dempster. | *Ben Curren | |
| 1887 | *L. Johnstone | J. W. Rhuland | *J. M. Townshend | R. S. Masters | *James Dempster. | *Ben Curren | |
| 1888 | *Rev. D. C. Moore | L. B. Archibald | W. V. Murray | John Daley | *James Dempster. | *Ben Curren | |
| 1889 | *Rev. D. C. Moore | W. F. MacCoy | John Daley | W. B. Alley | *James Dempster. | William Ross | |
| 1890 | C. J. Macdonald | *Samuel Porter | hos. B. Crosby | Geo. R. Chisholm | *James Dempster. | William Ross | |
| 1891 | C. J. Macdonald | T. B. Crosby | G. R. Chisholm | Henry Grier | *James Dempster. | William Ross | |
| 1892 | *D. C. Fraser | H. E. Gillis | J. Murray Lawson | Wm. Crowe | *James Dempster. | William Ross | |
| 1893 | *D. C. Fraser | Alex. Stephen | *E. T. Mahon | A. C. T. Boileau | *James Dempster. | William Ross | |
| 1894 | W. F. Ma Coy | H. T. Sutherland | S. W. Oxner | *J. R. Wyman | *James Dempster. | William Ross | |
| 1895 | W. F. Mac oy | Wm. McKay | B. D. Bent | *A. G. Winterbotham | *James Dempster. | William Ross | |
| 1896 | J. W. Rhuland | Barry . Bent | Jas. C. Lloy | C. S. P. Robbins | *James Dempster. | William Ross | |
| 1897 | Thos. B. Flint | *E. T Mahon | Chas. R. Smith | Fred McLennan | *James Dempster. | William Ross | |
| 1898 | Thos. B. Flint | has. R. Smith. | A. J. Wolfe | *James A. Gass | *James Dempster. | William Ross | |
| 1899 | Thos B. Flint | T. renaman | *M. G. Marshall | Daniel J. Rudolf | *James Dempster. | William Ross | |
| 1900 | T. A. Cossman | J. M. Lawson. | J. M. Owen | F. R. Fay | *James Dempster. | William Ross | |
| 1901 | T. Trenaman | W. F. Donkin. | D. H. Campbell | *William Oxley | *James Dempster | Thos. Mowbray | |
| 1902 | L. B Archibald. | *James A. Gass | Fred R Fay | John T. McLeod | *James Dempster. | Thos. Mowbray | |
| 1903 | Hon. Wm. Ross | A. J. Wolfe | M. C. Webster | J. K. McLeod | *James Dempster. | Thos. Mowbray | |
| 1904 | C. R. Smith, K.C. | James Halliday. | W. E. Logan | G. M. Acklom | *Jame Dempster. | Thos. Mowbray | |
| 1905 | C. R Smith, K.C. | D. H. Campbell | W. M. Christie | *W. H. Macdonald | *James Dempster. | Thos. Mowbray | |
| 1906 | C. R Smith, K.C. | J. C. Jones | J. R. MacKeen | A. J. Morrison | *James Dempster. | Thos. Mowbray | |
| 1907 | C. R. Smith, K.C. | C. E. Puttner | Alex. Bain | S. Marshall, M. D. | *James Dempster. | Thos. Mowbray | |
| 1908 | C. R. Smith, K.C. | M. McF. Hall | Don. F. Fraser | C. Frank L. Dixon | *James Dempster. | Thos. Mowbray | |
| 1909 | W. M. Black | W. Crowe | J. R. McDonald. | E. J. Vickery | John MacAloney. | Thos. Mowbray | |
| 1910 | W. M. Black | R. F. Merlin | W. D. MacKay. | W. H. Soper | John MacAloney. | Thos. Mowbray | |

*Deceased.

## PAST GRAND OFFICERS ALIVE, JUNE 8, 1910.

### PAST GRAND MASTERS.

1866—William H. Davies, M. D.
1874-9, 1882-5—Lt.-Gen. J.W. Laurie
1892-3—Duncan C. Fraser.
1894-5—William F. MacCoy, K.C.
1896—John W. Ruhland.
1897-8-9—Thomas B. Flint.
1900—Theodore A. Cossmann.
1901—Thomas Trenaman, M.D.
1902—Luther B. Archibald.
1903—Hon. W. Ross (Senator).
1904—Charles R. Smith, K. C.
1905— " "
1906— " "
1907— " "
1908— " "
1909—W. M. Black.

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### PAST DEPUTY GRAND MASTERS.

1869—N. W. White.
1879—James Hudson.
1881—Theo. A. Cossmann.
1883—Duncan C. Fraser.
1885—Hon. William Ross.
1887—John W. Ruhland.
1888—Luther B. Archibald.
1889—William F. MacCoy.
1891—Thomas B. Crosby.
1892—Hugh E. Gillis.
1893—Alexander Stephen.
1894—Hector T. Sutherland.
1895—William MacKay, M.D.
1895—Maj. A. C. T. Boileau, R. A. (Hon).
1896—Barry D. Bent.
1898—Charles R. Smith, K. C.
1899—Thomas Trenaman, M. D.
1900—J. Murray Lawson.
1901—William Fred Donkin.
1903—Augustus J. Wolff.
1904—James Halliday.
1905—Daniel H. Campbell.
1906—James C. Jones.
1907—Chas. E. Puttner.
1908—Thomas Mowbray (Hon).
1908—M. McF. Hall.
1909—William Crowe.

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### PAST SENIOR GRAND WARDENS.

1879—Angus G. McLean.
1882—Duncan C. Fraser.
1885—John R. Green.
1886—W. T. Sutherland.
1888—William V. Murray.
1889—John Daley.
1890—Thos. B. Crosby.
1892—J. Murray Lawson.
1894—S. Watson Oxner.
1895—Barry D. Bent.
1896—James C. Lloy.
1897—Charles R. Smith.

## PAST SENIOR GRAND WARDENS—(Continued).

1898—Augustus J. Wolff.
1900—Jacob M. Owen.
1901—Daniel H. Campbell.
1902—Fred R. Fay.
1903—Matthew C. Webster.
1904—William E. Logan.
1905—William M. Christie.
1906—Joseph R. MacKeen.
1907—Alexander Bain.
1908—Don. F. Fraser.
1909—Jas. R. MacDonald.

## PAST JUNIOR GRAND WARDENS.

1869—Wiliam Holloway.
1873—David Pottinger.
1874—Rev. J. B. Richardson.
1877—James Hudson.
1880—.S H. Pelton.
1883—William Ross.
1885—H. T. Sutherland.
1886—Arthur Rogers.
1887—Robert S. Masters.
1888—John Daley.
1889—William B. Alley.
1890—Geo. R. Chisholm.
1891—Henry Grier, M. D.
1892—William Crowe.
1893—Major A. C. T. Boileau.
1896—Chas. S. P. Robbins.
1897—Fred McLennan.
1899—Daniel J. Rudolf.
1900—Fred R. Fay.
1902—John T. MeLeod.
1903—John Knox McLeod.
1904—George M. Acklom.
1905—W. H. Macdonald, M. D.
1906—A. J. Morrison.
1907—C. S. Marshall, M. D.
1909—E. J. Vickery.

## PAST DISTRICT DEPUTY GRAND MASTERS.

1872—John M. Cole.
1875—T. V. B. Bingay.
1876—S. H. Pelton.
1877—T. A. Cossmann.
1878—Augustus Robinson, M.D.
1880—Thomas B. Flint.
1882—Alexander Stephen.
1882—Charles J. Townshend.
1883—John W. Rhuland.
1884—L. B. Archibald.
1884.—H. T. Sutherland.
1884—A. D. McGilvray.
1884—J. B. Black, M. D.
1885—Thomas Tanner.
1885—William R. Cutler.
1885—Henry E. Jefferson.
1886—D. M. Owen.
1886—William Proctor.
1886—Thomas Trenaman, M.D.
1887—J. P. Chipman.
1887—N. W. White.
1887—Rev. C. Bowman, D.D.
1888—A. McDonald.
1888—W. F. MacCoy.
1888—Arthur Rogers.
1888—Hon. W. H. Owen.
1888—Ross H.. Cooper.
1889—Hugh E. Gillis.

## PAST DISTRICT DEPUTY GRAND MASTERS—(Continued)

1889—Geo. W. Wallace.
1889—W. V. Murray.
1889—E. L. White.
1889—Charles Archibald.
1890—Henry Grier, M. D.
1896—Rev. Geo. D. Harris.
1891—J. W. Caldwell.
1891—John Forbes.
1891—Thomas D. Spike.
1891—John D. McDonald.
1892—Charles E. Tanner.
1892—S. Watson Oxner.
1893—G. Murray Dane.
1893—Angus G. McLean.
1893—Saml. J. Waddell.
1893—Harry S Dodge.
1894—Thomas Mowbray.
1894—Mark Connors.
1895—Abner J. McKenna.
1895—L. W. Johnstone, M. D.
1995—Augustus J. Wolff.
1895—Charles R. Smith.
1895—George W. Scott.
1896—James Simmonds.
1896—John M. Bailie.
1897—J. W. Miller.
1897—James A. Curll.
1897—William B. Alley.
1897—J. Murray Lawson.
1897—Walter Crowe.
1898—Jacob M. Owen.
1898—Albert H. Buckley.
1898—George R. Chisholm.
1899—Wm. Fred Donkin.
1899—Wm. H. Cole, M.D.
1899—G. F. Muir Forbes.
1900—Clarence W. Mills.
1900—John W. Fraser.
1900—James R. Macdonald.
1901—Norman L. Trefry.
1901—John Hay.
1901—Carmon S. Marshall, M.D.
1901—John W. Reynolds.
1902—James Halliday.
1902—Benjamin J. Barns.
1902—Charles R. Barr.
1903—Arthur K. VanHorne.
1903—Chas. I. F. Whitney.
1903—Andrew J. Munro.
1903—John McMillan, M. D.
1903—James F. Ellis, M. D.
1903—Archd. McQuarrie.
1904—Charles E. Puttner.
1904—Frank H. Lowe.
1904—Fred L. Shaffner.
1905—W. G. Putnam, M. D.
1905—James Scobey.
1905—Harry W. Crowe.
1905—William C. Macdonald.
1905—John Fothergill.
1905—Hartley H. Crowdis.
1906—R. F. Merlin.
1906—H. B. Webster, M. D.
1906—F. S. Anderson, D.D.S.
1907—James R. Ruggles.
1907—Fred S. L. Ford, M.D.
1907—Frank M. Brown.
1907—Robert H. MacKay.
1907—George Y. Grant.
1907—William W. Dillon.
1908—D. Alex. Thompson.
1908—Ingram B. Oakes.
1908—Wayland E. Read.

## PAST GRAND SECRETARY.

1889-1900—Hon. William Ross.

## PAST GRAND LECTURERS.

1873—R. C. Hamilton.
1878—Joseph R. Bennett.
1886—Saml. J. Waddell.
1890—Alexander Ross.
1891—Thomas McConkey.
1899—Albro Mumford.
1901—I. Edward Sanford.
1902—R. Fred Merlin.
1903—Joseph R. Bennett.
1904—Alexander Bain.
1894—Daniel H. Campbell.
1896—W. Ernest Thomson.
1898—George M. Doull.
1905—Herbert V. Harris.
1906—M. McF. Hall.
1907—John MacAloney.
1908—Joseph L. McKim.
1909—John D. Grant.

## PAST GRAND CHAPLAINS.

1869—Rev. C. B. Pitblado.
1870—Rev. J. B. Richardson.
1874—Rev. Henry D. deBlois.
1877—Rev. Charles Bowman, D.D.
1881—Rev. J. D. H. Browne.
1884—Rev. John A. Logan.
1884—Rev. T. B. Layton.
1885—Rev. Wm. H. Sampson.
1890—Rev. George D. Harris.
1890—Rev. E. M. Dill.
1891—Rev. J. B. Woodland.
1891—Rev. C. E. Willets, D.C.L.
1891—Rev. R. H. Bullock, D.C.L.
1894—Rev. F. B. N. Norman-Lee.
1895—Rev. Isaac Brock, D. D.
1903—Rev. George Isaac Foster.
1904-1906—Rev. Allan P. Shatford.
1906—Rev. Geo. C. Wallis, B. D.
1908—Rev. William Driffield.

## PAST GRAND DEACONS.

1871—T. A. Cossmann.
1877—L. B. Archibald.
1883—William Crowe.
1886—H. S. Jacques, M. D.
1890—Henry Grier, M. D.
1890—James C. Lloy.
1891—S. Watson Oxner.
1892—H. W. Yuill.
1892—Barry D. Bent.
1893—M. H. McKenzie.
1894—Arthur M. Hoare.
1895—Joseph L. McKim.
1895—R. Fred Merlin.
1896—D. R. Stewart.
1896—Thomas B. Simmonson.
1897—Joseph L. Hetherington.
1898—Peter H. Ross.
1898—Albro Mumford.
1899—Fred R. Fay.
1899—Henry J. Chute.
1900—Rod D. Morison.
1900—G. W. G. Bonner.

## PAST GRAND DEACONS—(Continued).

1901—Alexander Bain.
1901—John T. McLeod.
1902—Chas. I. F. Whitney.
1902—Edward Allen.
1903—John MacAloney.
1903—John W. Logan.
1904—W. H. Macdonald, M. D.
1904—Chas. W. Blethen.
1905—Joseph R. MacKeen.
1905—Malcolm McF. Hall.
1906—Thomas V. Woolrich.
1906—Theo. P. Moffatt.
1907—J. Frank Crowe.
1907—Frank L. Dixon.
1908—Edgar J. Vickery.
1908—Welsford D. Mackay.
1909—William J. Dickson.
1909—Geo. A. Slawenwhite.

## PAST GRAND SUPERINTENDENTS OF WORKS.

1871—Haratio B. Sellon.
1872—John W. Ruhland.
1882—Saml. M. Brookfield.
1891—Arthur M. Hoare.
1893—Joseph L. McKim.
1896—Thomas S. Lownds.
1897—George M. Doull.
1898—Joseph A. Northup.
1899—Fred W. Patton.
1900—William Proctor.
1894—Alexander McKinnon.
1901—Philip A. Freeman.
1906—Frank M. Brown.
1907—Joshua L. Corbett.
1908—William H. Soper.
1909—Robert Blair.

## PAST GRAND DIRECTORS OF CEREMONIES.

1874—W. F. MacCoy.
1882—H. E. Jefferson.
1883—Thomas Mowbray.
1888—William Crowe.
1891—R. L. Black.
1895—W. Lester Kane.
1897-1901—J.A. C. Mowbray.
1898—W. H. Wetherby.
1899—W. J. Shannon
1902—Alfred D. Payzant.
1903-1908—William H. Soper.
1908—Joseph A. Northup.
1909—P. A. Freeman.

## PAST GRAND SWORD BEARERS.

1881—W. V. Murray.
1888—H. S. Jacques, M. D.
1889—James C. Lloy.
1893—Edward Grant.
1894—W. J. Chearnley.
1895-1900-1—W. H. Soper.
1896—Fred W. Patton.
1897—Joseph A. Northup.
1898—Harry R. Moody.
1903—Edward J. Hiseler.
1904—George W. Parker.
1905—Theo. P. Moffatt.
1906—Robert Blair.
1907—E. W. Dunlop, M. D.
1908—William L. Rogers.
1909—J. Glen Grant.

## PAST GRAND ORGANISTS.

1892—Max M. Sterne.
1893—Albro Mumford.
1894—D. Roy Stewart.
1896—George Burgoyne.
1899—Fred. L. Shafner.
1900-4—John Edwin Hosking.
1905—George M. Acklom.
1906—Rev. William Driffield.
1907— " "
1908—Joseph W. Boyd.
1909—Rev. E. W. Florence.

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## PAST GRAND PURSUIVANTS

1887—John Daley.
1888—W. J. Chearnley.
1891—W. B. Thomas.
1893—W. H. Soper.
1894—D. J. McMullan.
1895—Chas. S. P. Robbins.
1896—Thomas Arthur.
1897—Joseph K. Salter.
1899—Edmund A. Sullivan.
1900—Charles W. Blethen.
1901—Demus Skinner.
1902—Warren A. Christie.
1903—George M. Acklom.
1904—Rev. Henry Hartley.
1905—John A. McDonald.
1907—James R. Johnston.
1908—Hugh A. McDonald.
1909—W. H. Graham.

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## PAST GRAND STEWARDS.

1871—John W. Ruhland.
1872—R. C. Hamilton.
1876—G. J. Fluck.
1878—W. V. Murray.
1879—Geo. E. DeWitt, M. D.
1880—John Daley.
1880—Geo. H. Fielding.
1881—.B N. Davis.
1882—James Halliday.
1885—Chas. E. Tanner.
1885—C. M. Dawson.
1885—L. D. Wier.
1887—John H. Bentley.
1888—Jas. C. Lloy.
1888—Fred McKaracher.
1889—John Gray.
1889—John Hay.
1889—A. F. Peers.
1889—A. Ormiston.
1890—A. C. Hawkins, M.D.
1890—Arthur M. Hoare.
1890—Thomas McConkey.
1890—Jno. D. McDonald.
1890—Henry Churchill.
1891—Joshua Platt.
1891—D. G. Akehurst.
1895-6— John A. McDonald.
1892—C. H. R. Starr.

## PAST GRAND STEWARDS—(Continued.)

1892—W. H. Soper.
1892—P. R. Peers.
1892—Fred McLennan.
1893—Fred. W. Patton.
1893—Daniel H. Campbell.
1893—C. B. Hewson.
1893—William Mann.
1893—B. Swenerton.
1894—H. W. Brown.
1894—John Lycon.
1894—William McAllister.
1895—Alexander Hay.
1895—John Hancock.
1895—William Crowe.
1895—Alexander Bain.
1895—John Miller.
1895—William Patrick.
1896—M. H. McKenzie.
1896—S. N. Miller.
1896—A. C.Ross.
1896—C. F. VonShoppe.
1896—W. H. Duncanson.
1897—James A. Carter.
1897—John A. Beaton.
1897—Alexander McIntosh
1897—Arthur K. Van Horne.
1897—George A. Dodge.
1898—W. Marshall Black.
1898—Henry J. Chute.
1898—F. M. Brown.
1898—H. A. McQuarrie.
1898—Lenfest Ruggles.
1898—J. Edwin Sterns.
1899—J. H. Benson.
1899—R. F. Merlin.
1899—A. E. Shaw.
1899—G. P. Stoneman.
1899—R. D. Morrison.
1899—W. H. Wetherby.
1900—Neil Ferguson.
1900—William Allen.
1900—George Taylor.
1900—A. D. Payzant.
1900—James C. Jones.
1901—Fred L. Shafner.
1901—Amos H. Ewing.
1901—Charles Zwerling.
1901—Malcolm McF Hall.
1901—John B. Douglas.
1901—A. M. Peers.
1902—Fred E. Harris.
1902—Harry W. Crowe.
1902—H. C. W. Powell.
1902—Thomas V. Woolrich.
1903—George W. Gwilliam.
1903—Robert S. McKay.
1903—W. H. Macdonald, M. D.
1903—John J. McLeod.
1903—Frank R. Elliott.
1903—George W. Parker.
1904—F. L. S. Ford, M. D.
1904—James P. English.
1904—Geo. S. MacAulay.
1904—Fred S. Anderson.
1904—J. Duncan Grant.
1904—Marston Guillod.
1905—Nelson E. Muggagh.
1905—James P. English.
1905—William J. Dickson.
1905—Charles McQ Avard, M.D.
1905—William K. Denoon.
1905—Richard W. Smith.

## PAST GRAND STEWARDS—(Continued.)

1906—Harding P. Bezanson.
1906—Frank D. Hillis.
1906—Joshua L. Corbett.
1906—John Henderson.
1906—Geo. A. Slawenwhite.
1906—Edgar J. Vickery.
1907—H. P. Bezanson.
1907—J. Fred Edwards.
1907—Albert Downey.
1907—John A. Macdonald.
1907—Arthur Lovett.
1907—Rupert S. Thompson.
1908—Henry Churchill.
1908—John Glen Grant.
1908—David Stech
1908—Orlando F. Van Amburg.
1908—Richard A. Spawton.
1908—Harry H. Lewis.
1909—C. T. Billington.
1909—J. M. Anderson.
1909—R. E. McLeod.
1909—Noel Crewe-Read.
1909—H. W. Spencer.
1909—J. W. Farquharson.

## DATE OF ORGANIZATION AND MEETING OF GRAND LODGES.

| Grand Lodges. | When Organized. | Annual Communication. |
|---|---|---|
| Alabama | June 14, 1821 | First Monday in December. |
| Alberta | Oct. 12, 1905 | Fourth Wednesday in May. |
| Arizona | March 13, 1882 | Second Tuesday in November. |
| Arkansas | Feb. 22, 1832 | Fourth Tuesday in November. |
| British Columbia | Dec. 26, 1871 | Third Saturday in June. |
| California | April 18, 1850 | Second Tuesday in October. |
| Canada | Oct. 1, 1855 | Second Wednesday in July. |
| Colorado | 1860 | Third Tuesday in September. |
| Cuba | | |
| Connecticut | July 3, 1789 | Third Wednesday in January. |
| Dakota | July 21, 1887 | Second Tuesday in June. |
| Delaware | June 6, 1805 | First Wednesday in October. |
| District of Columbia | Dec. 11, 1810 | Second Wednesday in November. |
| England | | Quarterly. |
| Florida | July 5, 1830 | Third Tuesday in January. |
| Georgia | Dec. 16, 1784 | Fourth Tuesday in October. |
| Idaho | Dec. 16, 1867 | Second Tuesday in September. |
| Illinois | 1840 | First Tuesday in October. |
| Indiana | Jan. 12, 1818 | Tues. after fourth Monday in May |
| Indian Territory | Oct. 5, 1874 | First Tuesday in November. |
| Iowa | Jan. 8, 1844 | First Tuesday in June. |
| Ireland | | Quarterly. |
| Kansas | March 17, 1850 | Third Wednesday in February. |
| Kentucky | Oct. 1800 | Third Tuesday in October. |
| Louisiana | July, 1812 | Second Monday in February. |
| Maine | June 1, 1820 | First Tuesday in May. |
| Manitoba | May 12, 1875 | Second Monday in February. |
| Maryland | 1783 | First Tuesday in May. |
| Massachusetts | 1783 | Second Wednesday in February. |
| Michigan | Sep. 14, 1844 | Third Tuesday in November. |
| Minnesota | Feb. 23, 1853 | Second Wednesday in December. |
| Mississippi | July 27, 1818 | Fourth Tuesday in January. |
| Missouri | 1812 | Second Tuesday in October. |
| Montana | Jan. 24, 1866 | First Wednesday in October. |
| Nebraska | Sept. 23, 1857 | Second Tuesday in January. |
| Nevada | Jan. 16, 1865 | Tues. on or im. preceding June 24 |
| New Brunswick | Oct. 9, 1867 | Fourth Tuesday in April. |

| Grand Lodges. | When Organized. | Annual Communication. |
|---|---|---|
| New Hampshire | July 18, 1789 | Third Wednesday in May. |
| New Jersey | Dec. 18, 1786 | Third Wednesday in January. |
| New Mexico | Aug., 1837 | Second Tuesday in June. |
| New York | Sept. 5, 1781 | First Tuesday in June. |
| New South Wales | | Quarterly. |
| New Zealand | 1890 | Third Wednesday in June. |
| North Carolina | Jan. 14, 1771 | Second Wednesday in February. |
| Nova Scotia | Feb. 20, 1866 | Second Wednesday in June. |
| Oregon | Aug. 16, 1851 | Thirteenth day of June. |
| Ohio | Jan. 7, 1808 | Third Tuesday in October. |
| Oklahoma | | |
| Pennsylvania | June 20, 1764 | Twenty-seventh day of December |
| P. E. Island | June 24, 1875 | Twenty-fourth day of June. |
| Porto Rico | | |
| Quebec | Oct. 20, 1869 | Fourth Wednesday in January. |
| Queensland | April 25, 1904 | Quarterly. |
| Rhode Island | June 25, 1701 | Third Monday in May. |
| Saskatchewan | Aug. 9, 1906 | Third Wednesday in June. |
| Scotland | | Quarterly. |
| South Carolina | March 24, 1737 | Second Tuesday in December. |
| Tasmania | 1891 | Quarterly. |
| Tennessee | Oct. 14, 1813 | Last Tuesday in January. |
| Texas | Dec. 20, 1837 | Second Tuesday in December. |
| Utah | Jan. 16, 1872 | Third Tuesday in January. |
| Vermont | Oct. 14, 1794 | Second Wednesday in June. |
| Virginia | ay 6, 1777 | Second Monday in December. |
| Victoria (Australia) | | Quarterly. |
| Washington | Dec. 9, 1858 | Second Tuesday in June. |
| Western Australia | Feb. 27, 1900 | Quarterly. |
| West Virginia | May 10, 1865 | Second Wednesday in November. |
| Wisconsin | Dec. 18, 1843 | Second Tuesday in June. |
| Wyoming | Dec. 15, 1874 | Second Tuesday in November. |

## REPRESENTATIVES OF OTHER GRAND LODGES NEAR THE GRAND LODGE OF NOVA SCOTIA.

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|---|---|---|
| Alabama | F. S. Anderson, D.D.S. | Bridgetown. |
| Alberta | Chas. I. F. Whitney | Lunenburg. |
| Arizona | Walter Crowe | Sydney. |
| Arkansas | S. Watson Oxner | Lunenburg. |
| British Columbia | Samuel J. Waddell | Truro. |
| California | Discontinued | |
| Canada (Ontario) | Thomas Mowbray | Halifax. |
| Colorado | Charles J. Allbon | Springhill. |
| Connecticut | Thomas Trenaman, M.D | Halifax. |
| Cuba | Alexander Stephen | " |
| Delaware | J. Murray Lawson | Yarmouth. |
| District of Columbia | James Simmonds | Dartmouth. |
| England | Lt.-Gen. J. W. Laurie | Oakfield. |
| Egypt | John Hay | Truro. |
| Florida | Daniel Douglas | New Glasgow. |
| Georgia | Rob. Jas Wilson | Halifax. |
| Greece | A. J. Wolff | Lunenburg. |
| Hungary | Peter H. Ross | " |
| Idaho | Angus J. Morrison | Middleton. |
| Illinois | Theo. A. Cossmann | Halifax. |
| Indiana | Robie McLeod | Liverpool. |
| Indian Territory | William H. Soper | Halifax. |
| Iowa | Discontinued | |
| Ireland | Jacob M. Owen | Annapolis. |
| Kansas | Thos. McConkey | Halifax. |
| Kentucky | Discontinued | |
| Louisiana | Jos. L. Hetherington | Halifax. |
| Maine | John W. Ruhland | " |
| Manitoba | Vacant | |
| Maryland | Vacant | |
| Massachusetts | None | |
| Michigan | George R. Chisholm | Pictou. |
| Minnesota | Lewis H. Morse, M.D. | Digby. |
| Mississippi | Daniel H. Campbell | Halifax. |
| Missouri | I. Edward Sandford | " |
| Montana | Reginald S. Miller | Annapolis. |
| Nebraska | Marston Guillod | Halifax. |

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| Nevada | Joseph Hayes, M.D. | Parrsboro. |
| New Brunswick | William Lester Kane | Halifax. |
| New Hampshire | Joseph Treen | North Sydney. |
| New Jersey | Angus G. McLean | Sydney. |
| New Mexico | Discontinued | |
| New South Wales | Hon. Wm. Ross | Halifax. |
| New York | Wm. F. MacCoy, K.C. | " |
| New Zealand | Joseph R. Bennett | " |
| North Carolina | Rev. H. D. deBlois | Annapolis. |
| North Dakota | C. S. Marshall, M.D. | Bridgewater. |
| Ohio | James Halliday | Halifax. |
| Oregon | Wm. A. Garrison | " |
| Oklahama | Rupert S. Thompson | Oxford. |
| Pensylvania | None | |
| Peru | Wm. J. Shannon | Annapolis. |
| Porto Rico | Malcolm McF. Hall | Halifax. |
| Prince Edward Island | George M. Doull | Amherst. |
| Quebec | Chas. E. Puttner, Ph.D. | Halifax. |
| Queensland | Chas. R. Smith, K.C. | Amherst. |
| Rhode Island | Arthur K. VanHorne | Yarmouth. |
| Saskatchewan | Henry L. L. Bill | Lockeport. |
| South Carolina | James R. Macdonald | Sherbrooke. |
| South Australia | Alfred Doull Payzant | Canning. |
| South Dakota | Alexander Bain | Port Hawkesbury. |
| Scotland | Charles Archibald | Halifax. |
| Tasmania | Thomas B. Flint | Ottawa. |
| Texas | William B. Alley | Truro. |
| Tennessee | William H. Wetherby | Halifax. |
| Utah | Arthur M. Hoare | " |
| Vermont | Luther B. Archibald | Truro. |
| Victoria (Australia) | T. V. B. Bingay | Yarmouth. |
| Virginia | William M. Christie | Windsor. |
| Washington | Edwin D. Lordly | Chester. |
| West Virginia | Abner J. McKenna | Wolfville. |
| Western Australia | Wm. Fred. Donkin | Amherst. |
| Wisconsin | | |
| Wyoming | Discontinued | |

## REPRESENTATIVES OF THE GRAND LODGE OF NOVA SCOTIA NEAR OTHER GRAND LODGES.

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| Alabama | Augustus J. Camp | Birmingham. |
| Alberta | Robert Scott | Carstairs. |
| Arizona | R N. Fredericks | Prescott. |
| Arkansas | Hon. Joseph M. Hill | Little Rock. |
| British Columbia | Peter F. McNaughton | Vancouver. |
| California | Discontinued | |
| Canada (Ontario) | George J. Waugh | Stratford. |
| Colorado | John Gregor | Denver. |
| Connecticut | Hugh Sterling | Bridgeport. |
| Cuba | Andris A. Valdes | Havana. |
| Delaware | A. S. Reid | Wilmington. |
| District of Columbia | William A. Craig | Washington. |
| England | Sir Joseph Dimsdale | London. |
| Egypt | Athanassio C. Garofallo | Cairo. |
| Florida | C. W. Johnson, M.D. | Jacksonville. |
| Georgia | Erwin Jackson Fuller | Sandersville. |
| Hungary | Otto Gunther | Budapest. |
| Idaho | Oliver E. Barr | Harrison. |
| Illinois | L. B Dixon | Chicago. |
| Indiana | Henry T. Conde | Indianapolis. |
| Indian Territory | Florian H. Nash | Lehigh. |
| Iowa | None | |
| Ireland | W. P. H. Lloyd-Vaughn | Dublin. |
| Kansas | John McCullogh | Galena. |
| Kentucky | None | |
| Louisiana | L. P. Delahoussaye | New Orleans. |
| Maine | John H. McGorrill | Fairfield. |
| Manitoba | John Wemyss | Neepawa. |
| Maryland | William N. Fisher | Baltimore. |
| Massachusetts | None | |
| Michigan | Horace S. Maynard | Charlotte. |
| Minnesota | Jas. G. Houghton | Minneapolis. |
| Mississipi | S M. Howie | Lafayette. |
| Missouri | LeRoy B. Valliant | Jefferson City. |
| Montana | Walter E. Newcombe | Helena. |
| Nebraska | Henry H. Wilson | Lincoln. |
| Nevada | Frank Bell | Carson City. |

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| New Brunswick | Thomas A. Godsoe | St. John. |
| New Mexico | John C. Slack, M. D. | Clayton. |
| New Jersey | Alfred P. Mayhew | Newark. |
| New Hampshire | Henry J. Hasleton | Manchester. |
| New South Wales | Donnelly Fisher | Sydney. |
| New York | William J. Madden | Brooklyn. |
| New Zealand | Malcolm Niccol | Wellington. |
| North Carolina | Thomas Kenan | Raleigh. |
| North Dakota | Robt. Meiklejohn | Langdon. |
| Oklahama | J. E. Burns | Kingfisher. |
| Ohio | J. H. Brownell | Cincinnati. |
| Oregon | Alexander Muirhead | Portland. |
| Pensylvania | None | |
| Peru | None | |
| Porto Rico | Vacant | |
| Prince Edward Island | Rodk. MacNeil, M.D. | Stanley Bridge. |
| Quebec | Benjamin Tooke | Montreal |
| Queensland | A. Marcus Hertzberg | Brisbane. |
| Rhode Island | James C. Collins, Jr. | Centerdale. |
| South Carolina | George D. Bryan | Charleston. |
| Saskatchewan | Chas. Oscar Davidson | Prince Albert. |
| South Australia | Thomas DeCean | Adelaide. |
| Scotland | Edward A. Chisholm | Edinburgh. |
| South Dakota | Frank H. Hooper | Eureka. |
| Tasmania | Henry M. DeEmden | Hobart. |
| Tennessee | Andrew J. Weldon | Bayne. |
| Texas | Anson Rainy | Dallas. |
| Utah | Arvis Scott Chapman | Salt Lake City. |
| Vermont | Hamilton S. Peck | Burlington. |
| Victoria (Australia) | Rev. Edwin Rodda | Sorrento. |
| Virginia | J. W. Eggleston, | Richmond. |
| Washington | Henry L. Kennon | Spokane. |
| Western Australia | T. J. Hardwick | Perth. |
| West Virginia | Charles G. Johnson | Charlestown |
| Wisconsin | Jeremiah Watts | Decatur, Mich. |
| Wyoming | None | |

## GRAND LODGES AND ADDRESSES OF GRAND SECRETARIES

| Grand Lodge. | Grand Secretary. | Address. |
|---|---|---|
| Alabama | George A. Beauchamp. | Montgomery. |
| Alberta | Geo. Macdonald, M.D. | Calgary. |
| Arizona | George J. Ruskrage | Tucson. |
| Arkansas | Fay Hempstead | Little Rock. |
| Belgium | Alphone Huisman | Brussels. |
| Brazil | Henriques Valladeres | Rio de Janeiro. |
| British Columbia | R. E. Brett | Victoria. |
| California | George Johnson | San Francisco. |
| Canada (Ontario) | Ralph L. Gunn | Hamilton. |
| Chili | Edward Poizier | Valparaiso. |
| Colorado | Charles H. Jacobson | Denver. |
| Connecticut | Frank W. Havens | Hartford. |
| Cuba | Carlos G. Charles | Havana. |
| Delaware | Virginus V. Harrison | Wilmington. |
| District of Columbia | A. W. Johnston | Washington. |
| England | Sir Edward Letchworth. | London. |
| Egypt | Michel Bey Saleh | Cairo. |
| Florida | Wilber P. Webster | Jacksonville. |
| Georgia | W. A. Wolihan | Macon. |
| Greece | Nicolas Philon | Le Piree. |
| Hungary | Ignatz Fekete | Budapest. |
| Idaho | Theo. W. Randall | Boise. |
| Illinois | Isaac Cutter | Camp Point. |
| Indiana | Calvin W. Prather | Indianapolis. |
| Iowa | Newtin R. Parvin | Cedar Rapids. |
| Ireland | Lord Castletown | Dublin. |
| Italy | Antonio Cefaly | Rome. |
| Kansas | Albert K. Wilson | Topeka. |
| Kentucky | H. B. Grant | Louisville. |
| Louisiana | Richard Lambert | New Orleans. |
| Maine | Stephen Berry | Portland. |
| Manitoba | James A. Ovas | Winnipeg. |
| Maryland | William M. Isaac | Baltimore. |
| Massachusetts | Thomas W. Davis | Boston. |
| Mexico | Felix M. Inglesias | Mexico. |
| Michigan | Lou B. Winsor | Reed City. |
| Minnesota | John Fishel | St. Paul. |
| Mississipi | Frederick Speed | Vicksburg. |
| Missouri | John H. Parson | St. Louis. |
| Montana | Cornelius Hedges | Helena. |

## GRAND LODGES AND ADDRESSES OF GRAND SECRETARIES.

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| Grand Lodge. | Grand Secretary. | Address. |
|---|---|---|
| Nebraska | Francis E. White | Omaha. |
| Nevada | Chauncey N. Noteware. | Carson City. |
| New Brunswick | J. Twining Hartt | St. John. |
| New Hampshire | Harry M. Cheney | Concord. |
| New Jersey | Benj. F. Wakefield | Trenton. |
| New Mexico | Alpheus A. Keen | Alberquerque. |
| New South Wales | Arthur H. Bray | Sydney. |
| New York | E. M. L. Ehlers | New York. |
| New Zealand | Malcolm Nicil | Wellington. |
| North Carolina | John C. Drewry | Raleigh. |
| North Dakota | W. L. Stockwell | Fargo. |
| Nova Scotia | Thomas Mowbray | Halifax. |
| Ohio | John H. Bromwell | Cincinnati |
| Oklahoma | Wm. M. Anderson | Oklahoma City. |
| Oregon | James F. Robinson | Portland. |
| Pensylvania | William A. Sinn | Philadelphia. |
| Peru | Alberto Quimper | Lima. |
| Prince Edward Island. | William P. Doull | Charlottetown. |
| Quebec | Will H. Whyte | Montreal. |
| Queensland | Charles H. Harley | Brisbane. |
| Rhode Island | S. Penrose William | Providence. |
| Saskatchewan | John M. Shaw | Regina. |
| Scotland | David Reid | Edinburgh. |
| South Australia | Jomes H. Cunningham | Adelaide. |
| South Carolina | J. T. Barron | Columbia. |
| South Dakota | Geo. A. Pettigrew | Sioux Falls. |
| Tasmania | John Hamilton | Hobart. |
| Tennessee | John B. Garrett | Nashville. |
| Texas | John Watson | Waco. |
| Utah | Christopher Diehl | Salt Lake City. |
| Vermont | Henry H. Ross | Burlington. |
| Victoria (Australia) | Chas. Jas. Barrow | Melbourne. |
| Virginia | Geo. W. Carrington | Richmond. |
| Washington | Horace W. Tyler | Tacoma. |
| West Virginia | H. R. Howard | Point Pleasant. |
| Western Australia | J. D. Stevenson | Perth. |
| Wisconsin | William W. Perry | Milwaukee. |
| Wyoming | W. L. Kuykenall | Saratoga. |

## INSTRUCTIONS TO MASTERS AND SECRETARIES.

For the sake of clearness and distinction, a line, at least, should be left blank between each minute, and a marginal note made of its contents.

Lodge minutes are to read on regular nights only; first those of the previous regular meeting, then those of any subsequent emergent meeting.

Secretaries of Lodges should keep a rough minute book in which to enter the proceedings of the Lodge as they occur, and never on any account use slips of paper, these proceedings shall afterwards be fairly copied into the regular minute book and have the signature of the Secretary attached. After having been read and approved in Open Lodge, they should be signed at once by the Worshipful Master or officer presiding, as a proof of the fact of the acceptance of their accuracy by the brethren present.

It is usual on the presentation of reports from Committees, to move their reception and adoption. If open to discussion or amendment, first move the reception, and afterwards the adoption.

The financial return is intended to show the cash transactions with Grand Lodge *for the whole year;* therefore, if ten candidates have been raised during the year, and six of these ten have been supplied with diplomas, leaving four to be supplied at the time of sending in the annual returns, the Secretary should not write.

4 Diplomas, &c., &c., &c.
4 Enrolments, &c., &c., &c., as is sometimes done, but
10 Diplomas, &c., &c.
10 Enrolments, &c., &c.

noting the cash paid, if any, and forwarding the balance.

The affiliation enrolment fee is to be paid for those only who come from another Grand Lodge Jurisdiction.

The diploma return must contain the names of all raised during the year. If any have been supplied with diplomas, write the word *supplied* opposite the name in the column for remarks.

All Christian names must be in full.

Secretaries are held responsible for their own mistakes. A brother's correct name is John Smith; the Secretary of the Lodge carelessly fills in John *David* Smith, but John refuses to have it, and justly so, too. The Secretary can procure a new diploma by returning the incorrect one, accompanied with the usual diploma fee.

In case of a brother affiliating from another jurisdiction, the name, number and jurisdiction of his Lodge must be mentioned.

Secretaries are requested to send for diplomas when required—say two or more at a time, as it is quite impossible for the Grand Secretary to comply with the following request from about fifty Lodges in the early part of May. "Please send diplomas *by return mail.*"

In the return of subscribing members, be careful to give first, the name of the newly installed officers, *not those of the year just passed;* then the Past Masters, according to the seniority of service, marked P. M.; then all other members alphabetically arranged. Compare the return with that of the previous year, as shown by the "Abstract of Returns" in the printed Proceedings, and make them agree.

All returns must be forwarded to the Grand Secretary before the 20th of May.

The attention of Secretaries is directed in Chapter VIII in the matter of corrected or duplicate diplomas.

There is nothing in the Constitution of the Grand Lodge of Nova Scotia to prevent the installation of officers of subordinate Lodges on the night of election. Officers must be installed not later than at the regular meeting in April.

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## FORM OF MINUTES FOR SUBORDINATE LODGES.

*Regular Meeting of..... .....Lodge, No.....R. N. S., held in Freemasons' Hall.....Nova Scotia, on.....evening. .....day of.....A. D. 19.....A. L. 59.....*

Present.

Brother .....Worshipful Master
" .....Senior Warden.
" .....Junior Warden.
" .....Treasurer.
" .....Secretary.
" .....Senior Deacon.
" .....Junior Deacon.
" .....Inner Guard.
" .....Senior Steward.
" .....Junior Steward.
" .....Tyler.

Give here the names of Members present, also the names of Visitors and their Lodges.

The Lodge was opened on the Third Degree, when minutes of last regular meeting were read and approved.

Minutes approved.

The minutes of Emergent Meeting held on the ..... instant were also read and approved.

The Investigation Committee reported upon the petition of.....as a candidate for Freemasonry, and of.....as an affiliated member. The ballot was then taken in the usual manner, and, it proving clear, they were severally declared duly elected.

Candidates elected.

....affiliated

The Secretary read communications from.....and ....and.... .....Lodges, enclosing list of officers for the current year, also fraternal invitations to W. M. and brethren to be present on the evenings of installation of officers. The W. M. requested the attendance of as many brethren as possible on those interesting occasions, and directed the Secretary to acknowledge the communications.

Lodge Installation.

The Secretary read accounts from.....for..... amounting to $....., and.....for.....amounting to $..... ; these accounts being corrects the Treasurer was directed to have paid.

Accounts.

W. Bro.....presented the report of the Audit Committee, as follows :—

Audit Committee Report

On motion of Bro....., seconded by..... the report was received, and after a brief conversational discussion the same brethren moved its adoption, which passed unanimously.

Adopted.

The Committee on Charity reported on the case of the widow of the late Bro.....referred to them at last meeting. They found Mrs.....to be in need of assistance, and had handed her the sum of ten dollars.

Charity.

On motion of Bro....., seconded by Bro..... ....., the action of the Committee was approved of, and the Treasurer directed to reimburse the Committee the amount.

The W. M. stated that since last meeting he had assisted a distressed brother to the extent of four dollars. On motion of Bro....., seconded by Bro..... the Treasuaer was directed to refund the amount to the W. M.

Proposed. The Secretary read the petition of..... aged 23 years, accountant, praying for the privilege of Free Masonry; also, the petition of Bro..... aged....years, physician, late of..... Lodge, No.....R. N. S., praying for membership in this Lodge. On motion, these petitions were received and referred to the Investigating Committee.

Initiated. The Lodged was then changed to the first degree and Entered Apprentice.....and Craftsman.....admitted, and the candidate, Mr.....being reported in waiting and properly prepared, was admitted and initiated an Entered Apprentice Free Mason in due form and in strict accordance with ancient usage, W. Bro ..... assisting the W. M. in conferring the degree, Bro..... then retired.

Bro.....examined. Bro....., who was initiated on the..... day of....., having expressed a desire for further light in Free Masonry, and giving satisfactory answers to the usual questions, was directed to retire with the Stewards for preparation.

Bro..... passed..... The Lodge was then changed to the second degree and Bro.....being reported properly prepared, was admitted and passed to the Second or Fellow Craft degree in due and ancient form. Bro..... at the request of the W.∴M., gave a full explanation of the Tracing-Board. Bro.....then retired.

Bro.....who has served the proper time as a Craftsman, expressed a desire for further advancement, and giving ample proof of his knowledge of the preceding degree, was directed to retire for preparation in charge of the Stewards.

Bro..... raised. The Lodge was then changed to the third degree and ....., being announced as in readiness, and properly prepared, was admitted and raised to the Sublime Degree of Master Mason, in due form and in strict conformity with ancient usage, W. Brethren..... and.....taking part in the degree.

Notice of emergency.

The W. M. stated that an emergent meeting would be held on.....evening of next week, for the purpose of conferring the third degree upon Bro..... who was unable to be present this evening owing to absence from the city, and as the Brother was shortly to leave the Province for an indefinite period, and he was very desirous of becoming a Master Mason before his departure, this emergency was called for the purpose named.

Closing.

Bro.....of.....Lodge, and Brother..... Bro.....of.....in brief addresses, and..... gave some interesting information on the state of Masonry in their respective jurisdictions, and expressed the pleasure experienced by them on being present on this occasion.

There being no further business before the Lodge, it was closed in Peace, Love and Harmony.

.....*Sec'y.*

Fees and dues collected, $.....

Read and approved in open Lodges, this.....

day of.....A. D. 19...., A. L. 59..

.....*W. M.*

## STANDING RESOLUTIONS.

1. *Resolved*, That the work styled "Ancient York Rite," be adopted by this Grand Lodge, with permission to those Lodges now working the Ritual of England and Canada to continue that work so long as they shall desire to do so. Proceedings 1870, page 31.

2. *Resolved*, That all accounts for rents against the different Masonic bodies shall be payable on the 31st of October and 30th of April, in each and every year, in order that the Grand Treasurer may be enabled to present to Grand Lodge at the Annual Communication a correct report of receipts and expenditure to date in connection with the New Hall. Proceedings 1887, p. 91.

3 *Resolved*, That the use of Masonic emblems, or of the word "Masonic," or of the expression "under the auspices of a Masonic Lodge," in connection with any advertisement or a celebration, banquet, excursion, or any demonstration that is not essentially Masonic in character, or authorized by the Grand Master, is improper.

4. *Resolved*, That Lodges may return as "missing" any member whose residence or address is not known for three successive years, and that Lodges be exempted from dues for such members while so missing. Proceedings 1873, page 55.

5. *Resolved*, That no petition for the mysteries of Freemasonry shall be received from a candidate who has been rejected in any Lodge, without the consent of the Lodge so rejecting, such consent to be expressed by a majority vote at any regular meeting of said Lodge Proceedings 1878, page 60.

6. *Resolved*, That representatives of other Grand Lodges near this Grand Lodge failing to attend the Annual Communication of this Grand Lodge three years in succession shall thereby forfeit their appointment. Proceedings 1889, page 70.

7. *Resolved*, That Grand Lodge recommend that at all entertainments of Grand Lodge and Subordinate Lodges, the use of spirituous Liquors and Wines be strictly prohibited. G. L. Proceedings 1896, page 67.

8. *Resolved*, "That the funds of the Fund of Benevolence be separated from the common funds of Grand Lodge, and placed in the hands of two Trustees for investment, the said Trustees to be elected by Grand Lodge for life, or during the pleasure of Grand Lodge, and that said Trustees be authorized to pay over to the Committee on Benevolence such sums as may be from time to time appropriated for benevolent purposes, and that the Committee on Benevolence shall be authorized to assist the widows and orphans of, as well as deserving Masons, and that the resolution be placed on the list of Standing Resolutions in Proceedings of Grand Lodge." G. L. Proceedings 1897, page 90.

# REPORT

ON

# CORRESPONDENCE

## FOR THE YEAR 1910

BY

THOMAS MOWBRAY, P. D. G. M., GRAND SECRETARY.

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The Committee on Correspondence begs to present its review of the proceedings of the following Grand Lodges:

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| Alabama | 1909 | Indiana | 1910 |
| Alberta | 1910 | Iowa | 1910 |
| Arizona | 1910 | Ireland | 1909 |
| Arkansas | 1909 | Kentucky | 1909 |
| British Columbia | 1909 | Kansas | 1910 |
| California | 1909 | Louisiana | 1910 |
| Canada (Ontario) | 1909 | Maine | 1909 |
| Colorado | 1909 | Manitoba | 1909 |
| Connecticut | 1909 | Maryland | 1909 |
| Delaware | 1909 | Massachusetts | 1909 |
| District of Columbia | 1909 | Michigan | 1910 |
| Florida | 1910 | Mississippi | 1910 |
| Georgia | 1909 | Missouri | 1909 |
| Idaho | 1909 | Montana | 1909 |
| Illinois | 1909 | Nebraska | 1909 |

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| Nevada | 1909 | Saskatchewan | 1909 |
| New Brunswick | 1909 | South Australia | 1910 |
| New Hampshire | 1909 | South Carolina | 1909 |
| New Jersey | 1910 | South Dakota | 1909 |
| New Mexico | 1909 | Tasmania | 1910 |
| New South Wales | 1909 | Tennessee | 1910 |
| New York | 1910 | Utah | 1910 |
| North Carolina | 1910 | Vermont | 1909 |
| North Dakota | 1909 | Victoria (Australia) | 1909 |
| Ohio | 1909 | Virginia | 1910 |
| Oklahoma | 1910 | Western Australia | 1910 |
| Oregon | 1909 | West Virgina | 1909 |
| Pennsylvania | 1909 | Wisconsin | 1909 |
| Quebec | 1910 | Wyoming | 1909 |
| Queensland | 1909 | | |

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## ALABAMA—1909.

M. W. Hugh S. D. Mallory, Grand Master, presided at the Eighty-ninth Annual Communication of the Most Worshipful Grand Lodge of Alabama, and its Masonic Jurisdiction, which was held at the Masonic Temple in the city of Montgomery, on the seventh day of December, A. D. 1909, A. L. 5909. All the Grand Lodge Officers were in their stations while five Past Grand Masters were present. The Grand Representative for Nova Scotia was not present.

In the Grand Master's address he rejoices in the growth and standing of the Order in his Jurisdiction, saying:

"Our great Order during the past year has not only grown in membership, but I am assured it has grown in power for good, and that it has added much to the greatness of our commonwealth."

A small number of dispensations were granted for the election of officers of subordinate lodges out of the regular time. In addition, many dispensations were granted for conferring the degrees within the time limit, as R. W. Bro. DeWolfe Smith of British Columbia would say, without the "poor excuse" that they were going to leave the jurisdiction.

Feeling reference is made to the dead of this and sister jurisdictions, the Grand Master being happy to report that since the last communication not one of the officers of Grand Lodge has died.

During the year dispensations were granted for the formation of twenty-three new lodges.

Twenty-one decisions are reported, among them being the following:—

"In the trial of any officer of the Lodge, he cannot, during the trial, act as such officer, and his place in the lodge room should be filled during such trial by appointment by the Worshipful Master."

Now, while this decision was concurred in by Grand Lodge, it strikes us that it is unmasonic, inasmuch as by the removal of the officer it implies guilt before trial is over and decision given. Certainly in Masonry above everything else, a brother is innocent until proved guilty, then why remove him pending trial.

Again, it was decided that when a Special Communication is called to confer any of the degrees the lodge may be opened in the degree in which the work is to be done without opening in the other degrees. No doubt this is constitutional in Alabama, but with us the lodges must be opened on the third degree, then changed, if necessory.

The Grand Master made many visitations, attended numerous masonic conferences and laid a large number of

corner stones of public buildings during his busy year of official life.

The reports of the Grand Treasurer and Grand Secretary show that Freemasonry is in a flourishing condition in our sister jurisdiction, and that a large amount is being expended for charitable purposes. In this connection the report of the Masonic Home Committee is most interestiug and shows commendable work.

A resolution was passed that all Edicts issued and decisions made at any Communication of Grand Lodge should be read in open Lodge at the next meeting of the Subordinate Lodges following the Grand Communication. This is a capital idea and will have the effect of the brethren being better informed as to what the Masonic Law in the jurisdiction really is.

Number of Chartered Lodges, 1908—484; Lodges chartered, 1909—21; making a total of 505, less one charter surrendered and another lost by consolidation. Lodges under dispensation at time of meeting of Grand Lodge—12, making a total of 515. Membership, September 15th, 1908—21,122; gain during the year—1,007, showing a present membership of 22,319.

Sixty-eight volumes, representing the proceedings of sixty-one Grand Lodges, are most excellently reviewed by W. Brother William Y. Titcomb, the chairman of the Foreign Correspondence Committee. Nova Scotia is liberally and fraternally dealt with, the reviewer making some very complimentary remarks on our work which are highly appreciated and for which, thanks.

M. W. Lawrence H. Lee, Montgomery, Grand Master.

R. W. Geo. A. Beauchamp, Montgomery, Grand Secretary.

## ALBERTA—1910.

The Fifth Annual Communication was held in the City of Calgary on Wednesday, May 25th, 1910.

M. W. Bro. J. T. MacDonald, Grand Master presided. Every Grand Officer was in his place.

The four Past Grand Masters and other Past Grand Officer were present.

Representatives of Twenty-Six other Grand Lodges, were in attendance Bro. Robert Scott of Carstairs, Nova Scotia's envoy was again absent.

After Grand Lodge was opened, Bro. R. R. Jamison, Mayor of Calgary was introduced, and he on behalf of the Citizens of Calgary extended a Cordial Welcome to Grand Lodge on its meeting in this City on the present occasion:—

At the request of the Grand Master, Bro. Rev. K. C. McLeod, in suitable words thanked His Worship the Mayor for the Cordiality of his welcome to Grand Lodge.

The Grand Master delivered a fine address, referring to the many absorbing events which had transpired during the year, notably the death of His Majesty King Edward VII.

He reported the Affairs of Grand Lodge in a most flourishing condition:—

Of his official visitations the Grand Master says :

During the year it has been my pleasure to visit every one of the fifty-three lodges subordinate to this Grand Body. While these visitations called for much time and the travelling by rail, motor and team of some six thousand nine hundred and twenty-seven miles, I was amply repaid for the effort by the enthusiastic reception, filled with true brotherly love and good fellowship, that awaited me at every lodge.

During a visit to the far East of this great Canada of ours the Grand Master mentions visiting St. Andrew's Lodge, Montague P. E. Island, and the Cordial reception given him there. He also mentions visiting Zetland Lodge, Toronto, where he had the pleasure of meeting some of the Most eminent Masons in Canada.

A few dispensations were issued and one decision which was fully covered by the Constitution —

Dispensations were refused to wear Regalia at "Masonic at Homes" and to confer degrees within specified time.

Eleven New Lodges were Instituted and three Lodges Constituted during the year.

Special Communication were held for Dedicating Masonic Temples at, Medicine Hat, Leduc and Stavely, and for laying the Corner Stone of St. Pancras Church at Alix, and also the Corner Stone of Claresholm Public School.

From the reports of the Grand Secretary, Grand Treasurer and Various Committees we find that the Grand Lodge of Alberta is in a most prosperous condition in every way.

Lodges Chartered 47. U. D. 6. Members 2990. Gain 457.

Grand Master, M. W. Bro. J. J. Dunlop, Edmonton.
Grand Secretary, M. W. Bro. Geo. MacDonald, M. D. Calgary.

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## ARIZONA—1910.

The Most Worshipful Grand Lodge, A. F. & A. M. of Arizona commenced its Twenty-eighth Annual Communication at the Masonic Temple in the city of Tucson on the eighth day of February, 1910, and closed on the 10th. There was a good attendance of Grand Lodge Officers while seven-

teen chartered Lodges were represented. Grand Representatives from seventeen sister jurisdictions were present, M. W. Rickmer Nickels Fredericks, for Nova Scotia, being among the number.

M. W. Brother W. Frank Pierce, Grand Master of California, being announced was received and heartily welcomed to Grand Lodge.

The Grand Master, M. W. Fletcher Morris Doan, who presided, in his annual address expresses his appreciation for the support and loyalty of the craft during the year, and speaks many words of encouragement. Very kindly and feelingly he refers to the many deaths which have occurred in his jurisdiction, and mentions "the illustrious dead of sister jurisdictions" who have passed the Bar since the last communication. Very few dispensations were granted for any purpose, while no visitations were made a fact the Grand Master deplores but explains. A visit of the President of the United States to Aztlan Lodge, No. 1, is reported and sincere gratification expressed thereat. He registered "William Howard Taft of Kilwinning Lodge No. 356 of Cincinatti, Ohio."

The Grand Secretary reports that the "Annual Cards" have been printed and supplied to the subordinate lodges. Evidently they are similiar to our "travelling cards", and are very convenient.

The Widow's and Orphan's Fund shows $943.00 received during the year which, for a small jurisdiction, is very creditable. The total amount of this Fund is now $11,025.95.

It was resolved that the Grand Lecturer shall visit all the lodges and exemplify the work adopted by Grand Lodge

and that he be paid his travelling expenses, and a per diem of three dollars from the Grand Lodge funds, and that in addition each lodge visited his expenses and a per diem of three dollars for his services.

The membership on January 1st. 1910, was 1807 as against 1661 on the October, 1908, showing quite a substantial increase., while the receipts for the year were $2,466.75.

No foreign correpondence report.

M. W. Frank Thomas, Phœnix, Arizona, Grand Master.

R. W. George J. Roskruge, Tucson, A. T. Grand Secretary.

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## ARKANSAS—1909.

The proceedings of the sixty-seventh Communication of the Most Worshipful Grand Lodge A. F. & A. M. of Arkansas, as well as that of several Emergent Communications, comes to us in a very handsome and neatly arranged volume of some two hundred and fifty pages.

A very fine cut of the new M. W. Grand Master, A. J. Witt, occupies the first page, and as all good things will stand repeating, the same appears on the second page.

The Annual Communication was opened in ample form by M. W. Edgar A. McCulloch, Grand Master, assisted by his Grand Officers in Grand Lodge Hall in the Masonic Temple, Little Rock, on Tuesday the 16th day of November, A. D. 1909, at the hour of 10 o'clock in the forenoon.

Five hundred and fourteen delegates were present, including forty-seven representatives of other Grand Jurisdictions, Nova Scotia being among the number represented.

The able address of the Grand Master touches upon the very satisfactory growth of Masonry, as well as its natural accomplishments.

One of the principal events of the year was the completion and dedication of an Orphan Home, and he impresses upon his brethren the necessity of properly providing for its maintenance.

Suitable reference is made to the fraternal dead of his own and other jurisdictions.

Grand Master McCulloch evidently did not shirk the unpleasant duties of his office, which is evidenced by the fact that in his address he refers to the suspension of a Master of a Lodge, the arrest of a Charter, forbidding the conferring of a M. M. Degree on a Fellowcraft who was ineligible on account of a serious physical defect, as well as taking up with the G. M. of California a complaint that rejected candidate from Arkansas had been made a Mason in California inside the time limit of the former jurisdiction which is five years.

Eleven dispensations were granted for the organization of new Lodges, and like all other Grand Masters he had numerous applications for dispensations for other things, and to his credit be it said he refused more than he granted.

Reference is made to the pleasant relating existing with other Grand Jurisdictions, as well as to the several meetings of Grand Masters to consult together. He, however, sounds a warning against anything that would approach the formation of a union of the several Grand Lodges into anything "of the nature of a National or Supreme Lodge."

Several decisions were given and the same approved by Grand Lodge.

The reports of the Grand Secretary and the Grand Treasurer are full and complete, and together with that of the Grand Master shows that Masonry is in a generally prosperous condition throughout the jurisdiction.

A resolution conveying the thanks of the Grand Lodge to retiring Grand Master McCulloch was passed and Grand Lodge was closed in ample form on the evening of November 17th, 1909.

The Report on Correspondence, which occupies some seventy pages, is made up for the greater part of selected quotations from the addresses of the Grand Masters of the different jurisdictions, and needless to remark contains many "jewels" of rare value.

The address of the Grand Master of Nova Scotia, 1908, is quoted from.

M. W. Bro. A. J. Witt, Pocahontas, Grand Master.

R.W. Bro. Fay Hempstead, Little Rock, Grand Secretary

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## BRITISH COLUMBIA—1909.

The proceedings of the Grand Lodge of British Columbia are enriched by the portraits of M. W. Alexander Roland Milne, C. M. G., Grand Master 1897-8, M. W. John Stillwell Chute, Grand Master 1889, and M. W. William Kyle Houston, Grand Master 1908, the latter of whom looking superb in the regalia of his high position.

On the 16th. day of July, 1908, a special communication of Grand Lodge was held for the purpose of attending the funeral of the late R. W. Brother Robert Brenton Kelly, P. S. G. W. which was largely attended. In Nova Scotia

this honour is rarely or ever conferred on any brother holding a less rank than Past Grand Master, or Past Deputy, but circumstances alter cases.

On the 7th. day of September, 1908, Grand Lodge was again called together to lay the Corner Stone of the new Public School Building at Nelson, B. C.

And a third special was held at Fernie on the 10th. day of May, 1909 for the purpose of dedicating the new Masonic Hall at that place and at which, we are told, a large number of members and "visitors" were present, the presumption being the "visitors" were not members.

The thirty-eighth Annual Communication of the Most Worshipful the Grand Lodge was opened in the Masonic Temple, Vancouver, B. C. on the 17th. day of June, 1909, with M. W. Brother William Kyle Houston, Grand Master, in the Grand East. Seven Past Grand Masters as well as a large number of other brethren were in attendance. The list of Representatives of other Grand Jurisdictions present was large, and we are happy to note W. Brother P. F. McNaughton, the Representative for Nova Scotia, among the number.

The Grand Master in his well prepared address, after mentioning that the clouds which at one time darkened the Masonic horizon had happily passed away, says :—

"The year which has passed has been one of considerable prosperity and progress from a material standpoint, and I sincerely trust and believe that the symbolic teachings, so faithfully inculcated in the Lodge rooms, are bearing fruit in the lives and actions of our brethren : that there is more charity and less selfishness, more of the spirit that vaunteth not itself, but rather that giveth place : more living up to that old golden rule so emphatically taguht in our Lodges" Do unto others as you would wish under similar circumstances they would do unto you."

Acting on this principle the Grand Master reports a donation of $500. from the Grand Lodge to the Subordinate

Lodge at Fernie at the time of the disastrous fire at that place, and mentions with thanks the kindly offers of assistance from other Grand Lodges in Canada, but which were not required. He also reports a donation of the same amount, $500., to the Anti-Tuberculosis Society, but with a Grand Lodge in a position to lend out $20,000. on good security, as this Grand Lodge did during the year, these donations are mere flee-bites but nevertheless they speak volumes for the liberality and true Masonic charity of our far western brethern.

Dispensations were granted for the formation of seven new lodges, while the Dispensation previously issued to Okanagan Lodge at Penticton was held over for another year.

It appears the Grand Lodge has adopted a system of "Standard Bye-Laws" for the subordinate lodges which have been prepared and sent out and of which the Grand Master says "there is every indication they have proved serviceable". It strikes us this is a good move, that it will have the effect of the bye-laws of the different subordinate lodges being more in harmony and a lot of unnecessary material left out.

Some thirty official visitations are reported, all of which proved most enjoyable to the Grand Master, and which must have been of great benefit to the Craft. At the same time he deplores the great divergence that exists in the work of the different lodges and strongly urges steps being taken to insure greater uniformity. The same old trouble there that exists in Nova Scotia and other Grand Jurisdictions.

Five decisions are reported all of which, with one exception, dealing with the disability of candidates. They are as follows:—

Q. Can a lodge receive an application from a person who has lost index finger of right hand at second joint? A. No.

Q. Can a lodge receive an application from a person who has lost the index finger of the right hand? A. No.

Q. Can a lodge receive an application from a person who has lost the third finger of the left hand at the second joint? A. Yes.

Q. Can a lodge grant a demit to a Brother who has signed an application for a Dispensation for a new lodge? A. Yes.

Q. Can a lodge receive an application from a person who has only the first finger and thumb on right hand? A. No.

While in Nova Scotia we are pretty liberal in these disability cases we are in accord with the above decisions, and think they will stand the test all right.

The total membership is 4,158 showing an increase of 402 during the year with finances in a flourishing condition.

R. W. Brother W. A. DeWolfe Smith, as usual for many years, presents the report on Foreign Correspondence which is quite up to his usual standard. Following, as he says, the practice in some other jurisdictions he produces two excellent articles "Practice vs Precept" and "The Office of Grand Master", both from the pen of Brother A. G. Pitts and well worth careful reading. Brother Smith, while generally most excellent as a reviewer is rather whimsical in some of his references to the Proceedings in our Grand Jurisdiction but we can stand it even coming from such a source. Referring to the fact that, at one place, an event was stated as occurring in 1991 and at another as 1901, and making criticism thereon is too small reviewing for such a big man but possibly his digestion was not good the day he wrote his review of Nova Scotia, so we will excuse him.

M. W. Bro. Henry N. Rich, Lander's, Grand Master.

R. W. Bro. R. F. Brett, Victoria, Grand Secretary.

## CALIFORNIA—1909.

Upon opening the proceedings of the M. W. the Grand Lodge of California for the year 1909, the eye at once rests upon a fine picture of M. W. Bro. Oscar Lawler, Grand Master for the year mentioned, making a pleasant introduction to a most interesting volume.

The Sixtieth Annual Communication commenced at Golden Gate Hall, in the city of San Francisco, on Tuesday the 12th day of October, 1909, at 10 o'clock, a. m. Fourteen Past Grand Masters adorned the occasion with their presence with M. W. Oscar Lawler Grand Master, presiding.

In the annual address to Grand Lodge the Grand Master said :—

"The fraternity has progressed in a manner which affords the utmost satisfaction. 3,971 Masons have been added to the rolls by initiation, restoration and affiliation, while 1,633 have been lost by death and otherwise, leaving a net gain of 2,338, and a total membership at the present time of 41,007."

He also reports dispensations for the formation of six new Lodges during the year, while all of the eleven Lodges chartered at the last Communication were regularly constituted and started on their respective careers.

After referring quite wisely to the fact that increased membership means increased responsibility, the Grand Master refers to what he terms "internecine difficulties and factional divisions," and as his remarks are applicable to more jurisdictions than California, we quote what he says on the subject, as follows :—

"By the process of elimination, the careful performance of duty on the part of investigating committees, and the judicious use of the black

ball, the increase in our ranks has been in keeping with its traditions. It is not improper, however, to call attention to the regrettable fact that there has been brought to our knowledge instances of retrogression on the part of Lodges occasioned by internecine difficulties and factional division, reaching such a degree of bitterness as that any proposal for membership advanced by one side is invariably installed by senseless and apparently vicious opposition on the other."

We sympathize with a Grand Master who is called upon to make use of such words in his message to Grand Lodge, and trust they will be effective. It almost strikes us that such so-called Masons should be re-obligated if that were possible, and would do any good, for evidently they have not been taught or heard aright.

Lengthy reference is made to the "Masonic Home," and marked changes suggested as to the management of same, which met with the approval of the Grand Lodge.

The Grand Master, mindful of the assistance rendered his jurisdiction when in distress a few years ago, reported that when the Island of Sicily was visited by a terrible earthquake in 1908 he instructed the Grand Master of Italy to draw for $1,500, and was pleased to report that the total contributions had amounted to the magnificent sum of $4,868.50 from the brethren of California.

A large number of decisions were given, mostly of local interest, but reference may, for instructive purposes, be made to a few out of the 34 reported.

It was decided that while Masons could, if they wished, attend church in a body, there was no authority for their appearing in Masonic clothing.

Might we respectfully ask if there is any authority against their so appearing if the brethren wish. The brethren

do so in this jurisdiction without doing either themselves or the church any harm.

Where a black ball was cast and overlooked, we assume, by the Junior Warden, the Senior Warden and the Worshipful Master, and after Lodge closed some one brought it to the notice of the Master. The Grand Master decided, notwithstanding that the candidate had been declared elected, that at the next meeting a fresh ballot should be taken.

Well, that may be all right, but it is not the way we would dispose of the case in Nova Scotia.

It was also decided that Masonic burial may be accorded a brother under suspension for non-payment of dues against whom no other offence has been established. That appears to be the law in California.

The Grand Master fears the intrusion of the "clandestine," and warns the Lodges to be on their guard. He also refers to the new Masonic Temple now in course of erection, and indicates that the committee having the matter in hand is proceeding with a deliberation appropriate to the very important task in hand. No doubt the temple will be a beauty.

After corresponding with a large number of Grand Lodges, Nova Scotia among the number, to find out about Spanish Freemasonry, the Grand Lodge of California refused recognition of the Grand Orient of Spain, and further passed a resolution forbidding all Masons owing allegiance to their Grand Lodge holding any Masonic intercourse or communication with any member or Lodge or Regional Grand Lodge owing allegiance to the Grand Orient of Spain. Quite the proper thing, California. Your example should be followed.

The reports of the Grand Secretary, Grand Treasurer and Grand Lecturer are full and complete, the work of active and zealous Masons and good officials. The finances are in a healthy condition and prospects bright.

A letter from Brother Wm. H. Taft of Kilwinning Lodge, No. 356, Cincinnatti, Ohio, and President of the Great Republic was read. He stated that the Grand Master had been provided with two pieces of oak from the U. S. S. Constitution which are to be made into a gavel for the use of the Grand Lodge of California. A resolution was passed thanking the President for his letter which, no doubt, will be cherished among the archives of Grand Lodge.

M. W. Brother Edward H. Hart, Chairman of the Committee on Foreign Correspondence, reviews with care the proceedings of sixty-three Grand Lodges, Nova Scotia being among the number. As an addenda to his report the reviewer gives the names of the jurisdictions having "Masonic Homes," but omits to mention "Nova Scotia Freemason's Home." Quite an oversight, but we will excuse the Brother if he doesn't do it again. Yes, we have a Masonic Home, a credit to the jurisdiction, located in the historic town of Windsor, Nova Scotia, and the best of it is that the noble institution is all paid for and in excellent running order.

M. W. Bro. W. Frank Pierce, San Francisco, Grand Master.

R. W. Bro. John Whicher, San Francisco, Grand Secretary.

## CANADA—(Ontario)—1909.

The Fifty-fourth Annual Communication of the Grand Lodge of A. F. & A. M. of Canada in the Province of Ontario was held in the City of London, July 21st and 22nd, 1909, M. W. Grand Master A. T. Freed on the throne.

During the year preceding there were also held five Special Communications, all for the purpose of laying corner-stones.

Previous to the opening of the Annual Communication the Mayor accompanied by several Aldermen, was introduced and welcomed the Grand Lodge to the City of London and assured the brethren that "the freedom of the City was theirs with all its ancient privileges" and expressed the wish that the session might be successful and the visit an enjoyable one.

After a fitting reply by the Grand Master the delegation retired and the annual address was delivered. In it the Grand Master congratulated Grand Lodge on the harmony prevailing among Freemasons, the progress made during the year just closing and also on the pleasant relations existing with all foreign jurisdictions.

The revenue for the year was $37,446.60 while the expenditure exceeded the income by $3,903.33. This is however accounted for by the large benevolent grants which amounted to $24,362.00, a fact highly creditable to this Grand Lodge.

The Semi-Centennial fund started in 1904 now amounts to $55,000.00 and the income from this is used for benevolent purposes in addition to the sum previously referred to.

Only five decisions are reported and those might have been decided by the Masters of the Lodges if they had given attention to the laws of the Order as urged by the Grand Master.

Reference is made to the earthquake in Italy and to the contribution of one thousand dollars ($1000.00) to the Grand Lodge of Italy in aid of the sufferers.

During the year it became necessary to remove one District Deputy Grand Master for neglect of duty. The surprising part of this matter is that one who was apparently so indifferent to the duties of the office should ever have been appointed to it.

Irregularities in balloting are referred to and it would appear as though some Worshipful Masters had good cause to congratulate themselves on being so leniently dealt with.

Referring to the matter of canvassing for office by friends the Grand Master says:—

"Such methods of conducting a canvass savor much of the practises of politicians and I believe them to be contrary to the spirit of Masonry."

Five warrants had been granted dnring the year and eleven dispensations granted.

After brief reference to the kindness which had greeted him and the hospitality extended to him during the two years he had filled the office of Grand Master he concludes as follows:—

"I cannot doubt that Masonry will continue to justify its existence by good works, nor that the G. A. of the U. will continue his blessing upon it."

M. W. P. G. M. Stevenson was given the Grand Honors followed by hearty cheers on its being brought to the notice of Grand Lodge that the meeting was the forty-first anniversary of his election and installation as M. W. Grand Master. M. W. Bro. Stevenson expressed his thanks for the honors he

had received and assured Grand Lodge that he was still ready to perform "cheerfully and faithfully any duties which might be allotted to him."

The report of the Board on the Condition of Masonry is very full and complete and if space permitted might be quoted from with profit.

A special Committee appointed on "Revision of the Ceremonies and on Lodge Emblems" recommended certain changes in the ceremony of dedicating a Lodge as well as in the laying of corner-stones, but reported against the adoption by any Lodge of any special emblem to be used on Stationery, &c.

A recommendation made by the "Board of warrants" is well worthy of consideration in other jurisdictions and is as follows :—

"We believe that it would be for the good of the Craft if Grand Lodge had a standard set of books printed and issued them at cost to all Lodges."

A vote of thanks was tendered to M. W. Bro. J. Ross Robertson for his "great generosity in presenting to Grand Lodge a beautiful set of undress clothing now being worn in Grand Lodge for the first time."

Grand Lodge closed at 3.30 P. M. July 22nd.

The Proceedings of sixty-three Grand Communications are ably reviewed, that of Nova Scotia 1908 being among the number and the Grand Master's address and decisions quoted

The following is one of the references :—

"The Grand Master decided that a Jewish Rabbi was "a minister of the Gospel," and the reviewer adds "this rather upsets us." Apparently in Ontario "the Gospel is a narrow one. Better read Galatians 3-8 as a starting point.

M. W. Bro. Daniel F. MacSwatt, Sarnia, Grand Master.

R. W. Bro. R. L. Gunn, Hamilton, Grand Secretary.

## COLORADO,—1909.

Fourteen Special Communications of the Grand Lodge of Colorado were held during the year. Nine of these for the purpose of laying the Corner Stones for Court Houses, School Houses, and other public buildings; one for the purpose of a new Masonic Temple at Sterling; and the other four for constituting lodges and installing officers.

The forty-ninth Annual Communication of the Grand Lodge was held in the Masonic Temple in the City of Denver, Colorado. on the 21st. day of September, 1909, the Grand Master M. W. John B. Haffy, who presided, being supported by a large number of Grand Lodge Officers, past and present, and a good attendance of the Craft.

The Grand Master delivered a splendid address, among other things saying:—

"The past has been pleasant and profitable. The people of our commonwealth have been blessed in their material interests. Our moral culture and advancement has been such as to warrant commendation. Masonically, the Lodges in our State have been shedding rays of light athwart heretofore darkened visions, and many of the best of men have been added to our numbers, and thus the grand work of making men wiser and better has been carried forward with a careful regard for the best interests of our beloved institution."

Dispensations were issued for the formation of two new lodges during the year, while petitions were received for the formation of two more but were returned on account of not being in order, while one application was refused on account of the limited population. A very good reason.

No decisions were given during the year, the Grand Master remarking that "this speaks well for the officers of the different lodges."

A large number of visitations are reported as well as many dispensations granted, and altogether the Head of the Craft in Colorado had a busy, as well as a very successful year.

The Grand Treasurer reports receipts of $14,103.83, with disbursements of $9,593.93, while the Grand Secretary gives the membership on the 31st, of July, 1909, as 13,546 showing a net gain during the preceding twelve months of 596. Eighty-eight lodges show a gain in membership: twenty-four show a loss, and five neither gain or loss.

Attention was called by the Grand Master to the Gavels used in the East, West and South. These gavels were presented to Durange Lodge, No. 46, by one of its members, Brother Charles L. Young, Jr., who visited the Holy Land recently, and conceived the idea of having these gavels made for the use of his lodge. The one in the East, said the Grand Master, was made from stone obtained by Brother Young himself from the quarry underneath the old Temple of Jerusalem: the one in the West from one of the Cedars of Lebanon, and the one in the South was made from a piece of acacia wood, and all, were loaned for use at this communication of Grand Lodge.

The report on Correspondence is by M. W. Brother Lawrence N. Greenleaf, it being his twenty-fifth and fully up to his excellent standard.

The Proceedings of sixty-two Grand Lodges are carefully reviewed but we regret that Nova Scotia is not among the number.

M. W. Bro. George W. Musser, Colorado Springs, Grand Master.

R. W. Bro. Charles H. Jacobson, Denver, Grand Secretary.

## CONNECTICUT—1910.

The One Hundred and Twenty-Second Annual Communication of the Most Worshipful Grand Lodge of Connecticut, A. F. & A. M., was opened in ample form by M. W. Bro. Weston G. Granniss and a full staff of officers in the Masonic Temple, City of Hartford, January 19th, 1910, at 11.30 o'clock, a. m.

Three Emergency Communications had also been held during the year, as follows:—One at New Milford, Conn., for the purpose of attending the funeral of an honored brother; Henry Orange Warner, Past Grand Master; the others for the purpose of laying corner-stones, one of the State Library and Supreme Court Building at Hartford, the other of the Town Hall at New Canaan.

At the Annual Communication thirty-seven representatives of other Grand Lodges were present, but Nova Scotia's representative was not among the number. This is something we always regret to record.

The annual address of the Grand Master was very interesting and business-like. In it he makes appropriate references to the deaths which had occurred during the year, including that of two Past Grand Masters of his own jurisdictions—M. W. James Lewis Gould and M. W. Henry Orange Warner.

He refers to visits to other jurisdictions, one of these being on the invitation of the Grand Master of Ohio to witness the making a Master Mason of William H. Taft "at sight;" the other to meet with eighteen other Grand Masters in the City of Philadelphia to discuss matters respecting the different jurisdictions. And we might add

just here that our last Grand Master Smith was also among the invited guests.

Three Grand Representatives were appointed during the year as follows :—Near the Grand Lodges of Victoria, Oregon and Ohio, as well as the issuing of one commission to the representative of the Grand Lodge of Florida near the Grand Lodge of Connecticut.

Reference is made to the many visits of the Grand Master to Subordinate Lodges, showing that the Craft generally is prospering.

Twenty-eight dispensations were granted during the year for what were considered good and sufficient reasons.

No. 15, however, would appear to be establishing a bad precedent. It was as follows :—

"A Lodge to spread second ballot on the application of a candidate without waiting the prescribed time, it having been shown that an error was made when first ballot was taken. All members to be notified accordingly."

Who is to decide when, how and where the error was?

Among the several recommendations made was the following in connection with a card certifying on one side that a Lodge is regularly constituted and working under the authority and jurisdiction of the G. L. of Conn., A. F. & A. M., and on the other side certifying that a certain brother whose signature appears thereon, is a member of said Lodge and in good standing. This card to be signed on the one side by the Grand Secretary and on the other by the Secretary of the Lodge where the bearer was a member. These cards to be supplied to the Lodge at five cents each and by them to the members at ten cents each.

In referring to the Masonic Home, recommendations are made whereby it financial condition might be improved, these being afterwards adopted in part by Grand Lodge.

A very important law was passed by the Legislature of Connecticut through the efforts of the Committee on Legislation, as follows:—"Making it a misdemeanor and punishable by fine to impose in any way on the Masonic Craft, or upon any other of the legitimate fraternal Societies or Orders —by the wearing of a button or other insignia, the use of anything purporting to be a ritual or making any demonstration with intent to deceive. The penalty being a fine of not more than $25.00, imprisonment not more than thirty days, or both.

It is pleasing to note that the Committee on Grievances reported "no business presented to them for action."

One hundred and seventy-eight pages are given to the reviewing of seventy Communications of other Grand Lodges, Nova Scotia, 1908, being among the number, and several of the decisions quoted. One is referred to, as follows:—

"Another very peculiar decision was that the Wardens of a Lodge could not confer degrees in the absence of the Master, they not being Past Masters. In Connecticut we are taught that the Wardens successively succeed to the prerogative of the Master, and in the absence of the Master the Senior Warden, or in the absence of both the Master and Senior Warden, the Junior Warden has for the time being all the powers and prerogatives of the Master and may do anything that the Master may when present."

M. W. Bro. Fred. A. Verplanck, South Manchester, Grand Master.

M. W. Bro. Frank W. Havens, Hartford, Grand Secretary.

## DELAWARE—1909.

The one hundred and fourth Annual Communication of the Grand Lodge of Delaware was held at the City of Wilmington on the 6th and 7th days of October, 1909, and was largely attended. M.W. Bro. Henry I. Beers, Junior, was in the Grand East and was supported by a full staff of Grand Lodge officers, both past and present, and a large number of Past Masters and Delegates. Representatives from thirty three sister Grand Jurisdictions were in attendance among whom, as we are pleased to note, was R. W. Brother W. Stewart Almond representing Nova Scotia.

The Grand Master, who is happy to report most cordial relations between the Grand Lodge of Delaware and other Grand bodies with which they are in Masonic fellowship, starts his address by remarking on the marked advances being made in science and discovery and also has a word or two to say about the vexed problem of Aviation, things Grand Masters as a rule dont worry much about in their addresses to Grand Lodge.

Very few dispensations were granted for any purpose, and only two decisions reported and these of purely local interest. Every lodge in the jurisdiction was visited which is a grand thing, and most commendable on the part of the Grand Master.

Lengthy reference is made to the conference of a large number of the Grand Masters of the United States which was held at Philadelphia in June, 1909, the Grand Master giving the recommendations passed by that august body, and which are as follows :

1. "The name of the petitioner should be subscribed in full to the petition. That has always been the law in Nova Scotia.

2. The date and place of birth of the petitioner should be given in the petition. Again the recommendation is in line with our practice.

3. The occupation of the petitioner should be designated in the petition specificially and in detail, both with relation to himself and his employer, if any, goes a little further than we do as we only require the occupation of the petitioner.

4. Where petitioner resides in a city having streets that are named and houses that are numbered, he should state in his petition the name of his street and the number of his house. That is new to us but in a large city we can easily see the advantages.

5. The members of the investgating committee, where such committee is appointed, should subscribe to a report in writing when required as to a thorough investigation of the character of the petitioner, this recommendation only applying to those jurisdictions where reports in writing are required. Here no report in writing is required the committee reporting verbally "within the four walls of the lodge room" and it strikes us, for various reasons, that is proper.

6. A petition to be made a Mason should state that the petitioner has never before petitioned a lodge of Masons to be made a Mason; or in cases where the petitioner has before petitioned to be made a Mason he should state the name, number, location and jurisdiction of the lodge previously petitioned and the date, as near as may be, of such petition. Just abou the same as the law in Nova Scotia.

7. A petitioner should have resided within the jurisdiction of the Grand Lodge for one year, that is have a legal residence there for one year. Here, under certain circumstances, six months is the limit.

8. When application is made by a petitioner whose legal residence is in another jurisdiction which, by its laws, claims the petitioner as its material a waiver of "Jurisdiction should be requested from the last named jurisdiction. The same as our law on the subject.

9. The form of "Renunciation" used in Pennsylvania should be required from petitioners who have been identified with clandestine lodges. In Nova Scotia we have no law bearing on the question, so this is new.

10. No petition to be made a Mason shall be received from one previously rejected in another jurisdiction within five years after such rejection unless the rejecting lodge by unanimous ballot has waived jurisdiction. About the same as ours, but the time is different.

11. All intra-jurisdictional communications should be sent through the offices of the Grand Masters. Here they are sent, or should be sent, through the offices of the Grand Secretaries."

A number of other important matters were discussed but no action taken.

The Grand Master had the pleasure of being present and apparently thoroughly enjoyed the making of President W. H. Taft a Mason "at sight."

Referring to the ceremony he has the following to say :—

"The term "making a Mason at sight" is rather misleading, and, in "fact, one might say a misnomer. Many uninformed Masons as well as "profanes have supposed that a Mason made in this manner is simply "ushered into the presence of the Grand Master and there and then declared "a Master Mason. This would seem the logical explanation of the term, but "as in this instance, it simply means the conferring of the degrees in open "lodge, and in a brief form."

As the question is so often asked, even by Masons, what it means to "Make a Mason at sight" we gladly reproduce the Grand Master's remarks on the subject, hoping they will reach the eyes of the inquiring ones.

The Grand Secretary reports a membership of 3,049, a gain of 61 during the year.

R. W. Bro. L. H. Jackson, P. D. G. M. presented a very interesting Foreign Correspondence report covering some seventy five pages. He reviews the proceedings of all the Grand Lodges received by him, Nova Scotia among the number, receiving kindly fraternal notice. Brother Jackson says he has only one criticism to make in reference to our proceedings and that is concerning the "escort of the Grand Lodge by a large number of Royal Arch Masons" on the occasion of the meeting of our Grand Lodge in Yarmouth in the year

1908. Well now, dont you know, on the Square, as Masons say, we rather agree with our distinguished and respected brother's criticism but tell it not in Gath for we dont all see alike even in little, harmonious Nova Scotia. Thanks Brother for letting us down so easily and on a subject we wont fight over for one single moment.

M. W. Bro. Edward B. Mode, Wilmington, Delaware, Grand Master.

R. W. Bro. Virginius V. Harrison, Wilmington, Delaware, Grand Secretary.

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## DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA—1909.

The first stated communication of the Grand Lodge, A. F. & A. M. of the District of Columbia for the year 1909, was held at the new Masonic Temple, Washington, D. C. on March 13th. 1909, M. W. Henry K. Simpson presiding.

The business at this communication was the exemplification of the Historic portions of the three degrees which being most satisfactorily done Grand Lodge closed in ample form.

A Special communication was held at the same place on the 13th. day of April, 1909, the object being, as the Grand Master announced for the purpose of paying the last honours of the Craft to the remains of Past Grand Master Josa Maria Yznaga, who died on April 11th. 1909." After attending the funeral obsequises of the distinguished deceased and appointing a committee to prepare a suitable memorial Grand Lodge closed.

The second Stated Communication was held at the new Masonic Temple on the 12th. day of May, 1909. Committee on bye-laws reported as also a committee on the petition of

the Grand Ottoman Orient for recognition, which was laid over until the regular communication of Grand Lodge. The Grand Master announced the death of Brother Warren H. Orcutt, Past Junior Grand Warden, which occurred on May 1st, 1909, and a committee was appointed to prepare a suitable memorial.

The third Stated Communication was held on the 25th. day of September, 1909, at which M. W. Brother Francis J. Woodman, as Grand High Priest of the Royal Arch Masons of the District of Columbia was received and fraternally greeted, the Grand Master expressing the gratification of Grand Lodge upon his recent election as President of the Masonic Relief Association for the United States and Canada. Although the proceedings read that way it is evident the Grand Master congratulated M. W. Bro. Ginn as he is the president.

On motion it was orded that hereafter in the "Good Standing Cards" to be issued for the constitutient lodges the words "His dues have been paid to the.....19." A capital idea and worthy of imitation.

Another Special Communication was held on the 20th day of November, 1909, the object being, as stated by the Grand Master, to consider all matters having reference to transferring the ownership and control of the new Masonic Temple from the Masonic Temple Association to Grand Lodge. This being done amidst the greatest harmony, the communication closed.

On the 28th day of November, 1909, another Special Communication was held for the purpose of paying the last tribute of respect to the memory of Past Grand Master David

Gilmore Dixon, whose death occurred at Providence Hospital on the 25th day of November. After attending the burial service Grand Lodge returned to the lodge room and closed in ample form.

The ninety-ninth Annual Communication of the M. W. Grand Lodge was held in the new Masonic Temple on the 15th day of December, 1909, with M. W. Bro. Henry K. Simpson, Grand Master, in the Grand East. Twelve Past Grand Masters, a full staff of Grand Lodge Officers and a large number of representatives and Past Masters were present.

The Grand Master, while in touching language referring to the deceased in his own and sister jurisdictions, said that "the year closes with the official ranks of our Grand Lodge undisturbed by death or resignation".

Among many decisions submitted the Grand Master decided,—

That where during the ceremony of initiation the candidate's faculties became so impaired that he could not receive and comprehend the instruction given(in this case the candidate was seized with an attack of epilepsy) he should not be advanced.

It was also decided that a subordinate lodge could not be incorporated, and most excellent reasons given for the decision. This is in line with the Masonic Law in Nova Scotia.

The convention of the Grand Masters of the United States held at Philadelphia in June, 1909, and called by R. W. George B. Orlady, Grand Master of Pennsylvania, is dealt with at considerable length by the Deputy Grand Master in his report, he, having been delegated by the Grand Master to attend the same. Many intricate and important questions

were brought before this august body but, as a matter of course, their action was not binding but resulted in splendid interchange of thought and many excellent recommendations. What a grand idea it would be to have a meeting of all the Grand Masters of Canada, it could not be otherwise than have a beneficial effect upon the Heads of the Craft in our fair Dominion, and be of lasting benefit upon the Fraternity generally. Who will be the first to move? Dont all speak at once.

The Grand Lodge of San Salvador petitioned for recognition but the committee reporting they had not sufficient information to report either for or against the application the matter was laid over.

St. John's Day Communication was held on the 27th December, 1909, when the new officers were duly elected and installed. There was a large attendance including Grand Representatives from many sister jurisdictions but Nova Scotia was not among the number.

The report on foreign Correspondence is by M. W. Bro. G. W. Baird, P. G. M. and the proceedings of seventy eight Grand Lodges are fully and carefully reviewed, but we regret to say Nova Scotia is not among the number. Probably our proceedings had not come to hand when the report was prepared, but we enjoyed reading Brother Baird's well gotten up production all the same.

M. W. Bro. George C. Ober, Washington, D. C., Grand Master.

R. W. Bro. Arvine W. Johnson, Washington, D. C., Grand Secretary.

## FLORIDA—1910.

The Eighty-first Communication of the M. W. Grand Lodge of A. F. & A. M. of Florida, held at Jacksonville, Jan. 18th to 20th, 1910. M. W. Bro. Louis C. Masey, Grand Master, opened the Communication in ample form at 11 a. m. on the first named date.

With the exception of the Senior Grand Deacon all the Grand Officers were present as well as forty-two Grand Representatives, Nova Scotia's being among the number.

Five Special Communications had been held during the year; one on April 28th, to dedicate a new Masonic Temple at Gainesville, the others for the purpose of laying corner-stones.

The address of the Grand Master covers fifty-five pages and deals very fully with Masonic affairs in his jurisdiction in an able and business-like manner.

Suitable reference is made to the fraternal dead of other jurisdictions.

Fourteen new Lodges that had requested Charters at the last Communication were duly constituted during the year Nine dispensations were also issued for new Lodges.

The followtng amendment to by-laws was refused:—

"The Lodge may from time to time make such assessment on its members as may be necessary in addition to its annual dues, for the purpose of paying its lawful expenses and to meet any outstanding indebtedness—and if not paid when due shall then be in arrears, and each member not paying shall at once be notified thereof by the Secretary, and in case of failure or refusal—or not giving satisfactory excuse within three months—shall be suspended at the discretion of the Lodge."

Quite right. With such a by-law members would never know what they might be called on to pay.

Reference is made to the granting of dispensations for the election of Worshipful Masters when a vacancy occurs in this office, due to death or otherwise.

While this does not go to the extreme, as in our own jurisdiction, where an election is proceeded with at the next regular meeting of the Lodge after the vacancy occurs (by death) without dispensation, yet it scarcely seems in accordance with its Constitution, which expressly states a Senior Warden succeeds in case of a vacancy to all the powers, duties and responsibilities of the Master.

Applications to reopen dark ballots, on the ground of mistakes, were refused. It would be a dangerous precedent to establish by granting such requests.

Among the dispensations granted is the following :—

"To examine Entered Apprentices and to ballot for passing them to the Fellow Craft Degree at a called communication, but not short of time, the regular communication at which this should have been done having been prevented by a severe storm."

In this jurisdiction a dispensation would of course not be necessary, as a Candidate may be advanced at any special meeting called for that purpose after the necessary time has elapsed.

A request to confer the three Degrees upon a Candidate at the same Communication was also refused. This would certainly have been rapid advancement and it is surprising that such a request should have been made.

Reference is made to a point at issue between the Grand Lodges of Arizona and Florida, regarding the making good to a Lodge in Arizona of amounts expended in charity on a Brother from the jurisdiction of Florida. This is a matter,

of course, which must to a great extent rest with the Lodges interested, but it seems almost unfair that after a Lodge should expend a considerable amount for a deserviug Brother from another jurisdiction, that they should not be reimbursed for the same; more particularly as in some cases they can ill afford the amount expended.

The matter of appeals from the Lodges on account of certain brethren who are in need, is a strange one. Surely a Lodge (unless it may be exceptional) should look after its own members. This seems to be a privilege that would be too often abused.

Among the decisions rendered are the following:—

(1) "Under regulation 269 A, the grower of grapes who makes wine therefrom and sells it at the vineyard and at his general store when so permitted by law, is not a liquor dealer and is not ineligible for initiation into the mysteries of Freemasonry."

I wonder why?

(2) "A Lodge may remove its place of meeting to any other room or building within the limits of its Charter location, without a dispensation."

This decision was disapproved by the Jurisprudence Committee.

That the brethren were well satisfied with the services of their Grand Master during the preceeding year is evidenced by the fact that he was re-elected to office.

The report on Foreign Correspondence occupies 178 pages, Nova Scotia for 1908 receiving due attention and the Grand Master's address quoted from.

Among the decisions referred to is one where it had been asked—

"If the Wardens of a Lodge can confer Degrees in the absence of the Master, they not being Past Masters."

The decision was—

"No, decidedly not."

The comment of the reviewer on this was as follows:—

"This is peculiar and found only in a few jurisdictions and always under English Constitutions."

In nearly all the Grand Jurisdictions to the South of us it is usual for the Wardens to do the work of conferring Degrees in the absence of the Master, and in fact, the Master may, and often does, call on another who is competent to do such work even if he is not a Warden.

We would gladly quote from several other reports; more particularly that of South Carolina in connection with the doctrine of "Physical, Perfect Manhood" which is considered very fully, the law in different jurisdictions being quoted.

M. W. Bro. Louis C. Massey, Orlando, Fla., Grand Master.

R. W. Bro. Wilbur P. Webster, Jacksonville, Fla., Grand Secretary.

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## GEORGIA—1909.

The One Hundred and Twenty-third Annual Communication of the Grand Lodge of Free and Accepted Masons for the State of Georgia commenced on the 26th day of October, 1909. Besides Most Worshipful Bro. Thomas Jeffries, Grand Master, who presided, there was a large number of Grand Lodge Officers, Past Masters and Delegates present, also a full representation of Grand Representatives, R. W. Brother E. J. Fuller for Nova Scotia being among the number.

After a very pleasant and, in some respects, an eloquent introduction, the Grand Master in his address makes fitting allusion to "the fraternal dead" of his own and sister jurisdictions. He reports that the seventeen Lodges to which Charters were granted at the last Grand Communication have been duly constituted. He also reports the granting of dispensations for a large number of new Lodges during the year. In addition, five Special and a large number of Miscellaneous Dispensations, covering the usual matters, were granted, the latter covering nearly seven pages of the Proceedings. Owing, as the Grand Master no doubt correctly thinks, to the brethren familiarizing themselves with the Masonic Law in force in his jurisdiction he has given very few decisions and only reports one, and that of entirely local interest.

The Grand Master has made many visitations, and reports the Craft in excellent condition, and has a good word for the Order of the Eastern Star which he says "has come to stay."

Speaking of the Masonic Home of which he is justly proud, the Grand Master has this to say:—

"No Mason who has imbibed the sweet waters of Love ever lets his mind turn toward the Masonic Home who does not feel a thrill of joy in the knowledge that safe in the precincts of the Home there lives a happy family in which he is most vitally and seriously interested.

'There he sees a haven of rest, a peaceful abode for those whom misfortune has overwhelmed in the years when they no longer possess the power of fighting the battles of life. There he beholds a place of safety and helpfulness for those whom the hand of Providence has made the wards of asonry."

Noble thought! noble feelings! worthy of a good man and a true and upright Mason. Our "Home" is the same and we hope our brethren all feel in reference thereto as the Grand Master does of his "Masonic Home."

All through, the Grand Master's address breathes true Masonry and our only regret is we have not space to quote more from it at length.

The Grand Secretary reports collections from all sources during the year, $28,739.75; that 487 Lodges sent in returns, of which 176 were correct and 151 not correct, very largely on account of the neglect of the Secretaries of the Subordinate Lodges at which the Grand Secretary justly complains. He also reports 88 Lodge returns received too late to be checked, and 61 Lodges still to make returns.

The request of the Grand Lodge of San Salvidor for recognition was indefinitely postponed, which we think was quite right.

The following resolutions of general interest were adopted, viz:—

1. "That dispensations for conferring degrees at times other than at Regular Communications of a Subordinate Lodge be granted only for urgent and imperative reasons, and then only in the discretion of the Most Worshipful Grand Master.

2. That no Special Dispensation shall be granted for the conferring of more than one degree on a candidate at one and the same Communication."

Now, while fully in accord with the second resolution which is the Masonic law in Nova Scotia, we differ with the first. We fail to see why a candidate should not receive his degrees at Emergent the same as at Regular Communications of the Subordinate Lodges if satisfactory to the candidate and convenient to the Lodge. In fact it very often happens that owing to the large amount of ordinary work on hand it is very inconvenient to confer all the degrees at the Regular meetings, unless they are to be kept open nearly all night.

And being convinced that late hours is one of the serious objections to our meetings, we say cut them out, if possible. However, this is purely a matter for Georgia.

Brother A. Q. Moody presents his ninth Annual Report on Foreign Correspondence, and a good report it is, and makes very interesting reading. Nova Scotia receives kindly and fraternal notice which is appreciated.

M. W. Bro. Henry Banks, La Grange, Georgia, Grand Master.

R. W. Bro. W. A. Wolihin, Macon, Grand Secretary.

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## IDAHO—1909.

The Forty-second Annual Communication of the M. W. Grand Lodge of A. F. & A. M., of Idaho was called to order, and afterwards opened in ample form, by the M. W. Bro. Wm. R. Hamilton, Grand Master, at 10 A. M. September 14, 1909, in Masonic Hall, Boise, Idaho.

We are pleased to note that the Representative of this Grand Lodge was one of the twenty-one Grand Representatives present.

The Grand Master in his address states that it is the forty-third Communication, although the report reads Forty-second. He reports Masonry as progressing and that the number of new Lodges formed had been greater than ever before, and would have been still greater than ever before, had he felt justified in granting all dispensations asked for.

He sounds a warning against the using of the Blue Lodge as a stepping stone to the "higher degrees." It would be well for other jurisdictions to take this warning to themselves.

While he refrains from giving an opinion on "making Masons at sight" he refers to a case when "only some ten days elapsed between the conferring the Fellow Craft Degree and becoming a Shriner," and adds this is "going some".

Fitting reference is made to the fraternal dead of his own and other jurisdictions, among the former being that of P. D. G. M. Hazen Squier.

In reporting his visitations there is no time wasted in paying undeserved compliments. He refers to the condition of Lodges as he found them, and while in some places the work was well done yet in others he does not hesitate to say that "in all my experience I have never seen poorer work".

The use of an official cypher has evidently been a failure in Idaho.

Among the decisions rendered is the following :—

"Is a stock-holder of a railway selling liquor on their trains amendable to our liquor law? Held that the stock-holder is "indirectly connected", but the Jurisprudence Committee of Grand Lodge decided very properly that he was not.

In the Secretary's report the total membership is given as 2741, an increase of 146 over 1908.

Total income for the year $19,267.63. Disbursements $16,683.59. Showing the financial condition to be good.

The review of the Fraternal Correspondence occupies 147 pages, in which the proceedings of sixty-six Grand Lodges are revised, Nova Scotia not being among the number.

Bro. Geo. F. Gagnon, Blackfoot, M. W. Grand Master.

Bro. Theophilus W. Randall, Boise, R. W. Grand Secretary.

## ILLINOIS—1909.

In compliance with the Constitution, the M. W. Grand Lodge of A. F. & A. M. of the State of Illinois commenced its seventieth Annual Communication at Medinah Temple in the City of Chicago, on the twelfth day of October, A. D. 1909, A. L. 5909, and was opened in ample form by the Grand Master, M. W. Bro. Alexander H. Bell. In his well-prepared address the Grand Master reports that nine Lodges were constituted and seven dispensations granted for the formation of new Lodges during the year. He also had the pleasure of dedicating nine new Masonic Temples and Halls, besides laying or directing the laying with Masonic ceremonies, the corner-stones of five buildings, four of which were for churches of different denominations. No less than $853.00 were received by the Grand Master for dispensations granted during the year, and which amount was paid over to the Grand Secretary.

Referring to "Foreign Relations," the Grand Master says:—

"Our relations with all other Grand Jurisdictions have been cordial. I have had much correspondence with Grand Masters and Grand Secretaries of Foreign Jurisdictions relating to those matters which ordinarily require the attention of the Grand Master, and in every instance the correspondence has been most fraternal and there is nothing in our foreign relatiens which I care now to report."

The Grand Master is outspoken, as he had a right to be, about questions submitted for his decision, and in that connection, says:—

"One of the most astonishing things about officers of Lodges throughout the State is that so many of them know very little and some of them know nothing at all about Masonic law."

But he is pleased to state :—

"That many Lodge officers are well-informed."

As samples of some of the peculiar, if not to say extraordinary, questions asked during the year, the Grand Master, among others, quotes the following, viz. :—

"For instance, I have been asked whether when the Lodge room is rented for a saloon there is any law which requires that the Lodge must move its quarters.

"I have been asked whether it would be proper for a Lodge to accept the petition for membership of a Syrian who has been in this country for a number of years, but has not yet taken out Naturalization papers.

"It has been complained to me by the Master of a Lodge that one of the Wardens of his Lodge had in different cases countermanded the Master's orders for a Special Meeting. And in the same letter I was asked whether the Warden had a right to call a Communication of the Lodge without the consent of the Master and over his objection.

"I have received complaint that some members of a Lodge have encouraged or assisted a barber in opening a shop in a town where the barber complaining lived so that there thus became two barber shops in the town instead of one, and I am asked whether charges might be preferred against the brethren who assisted the second barber locating in the town.

"I have received several letters from Lodge and Lodge Officers inquiring the name and address of their Lodge Deputies.

"I have been asked by letter whether a member of a Lodge might vote in Lodge by proxy.

"I have been solicited to assist Lodge Officers in the sale of their own real estate.

"I have had one Lodge give Masonic burial to a Fellowcraft."

In short, says the Grand Master :—

"I have been asked hundreds and hundreds of questions which betray the most unmistakable and lamented ignorance of Masonic law on the part of the writers."

And it is unnecessary to say the Grand Master expresses his views with no uncertain sound. And certainly such

ignorance, in this our enlightened age, is most deplorable and to be deeply regretted. Dealing with those grand and noble Masonic Institutions "Our Masonic Homes," the Grand Master has the following to say :—

"I am pleased to report that our two Homes, the one at Sullivan and the Orphan's Home at Chicago, have been conducted during the last year in a manner satisfactory to all our Board of Trustees, and which we believe is satisfactory to all the Craft who know conditions, methods and results. These great institutions have been conducted without any unusual trouble or difficulty."

Evidently these "Homes" are doing splendid work and the financial aid and assistance they are receiving, and the interest taken therein, speak well for the liberality and true Masonic spirit of our Illinois brethren.

The vexed question of the Recognition of the Grand Lodge Valle de Mexico again came up and two reports from committees were presented. The majority report recommended refusal, while the minority favoured granting recognition. The report of the majority was adopted and recognition refused.

The Grand Treasurer's financial statement deals with receipts and disbursements as well as with the Charity Fund, Orphan's Home Fund, Home for Aged Fund and Masonic Home Fund, all showing large receipts and heavy expenditure. The Grand Secretary also presents a very full and interesting report dealing particularly with the monies received by him from different sources during the year and disposition made of the same.

The Grand Orator, Brother Euclid B. Rogers, delivered a most eloquent and instructive oration which evidently was greatly enjoyed. He commences by saying :—

"All through the ages there has been a tendency on the part of people to idolize the past and to minimize the present. Yesterday was big, the past has produced big things and big men: the present are small and puny in comparison. The great performances have all been in other years, and the great performers are dead. That despairing note was heard away back in the days of Ecclesiastes, the preacher, and it is heard today.

"At the opening of this century critics of our time cited the masters of art and song, and claimed that the nineteenth century produced no names that will live forever. But the nineteenth century produced an Emmerson, a Webster, a Clay, a Tennyson, an Agassiz, a Darwin, a Huxley, a Spencer and a Beecher. So that if the century were too busy widening the liberties of men and increasing the wealth of the world to write very much poetry or paint many pictures, it did not wholly fail even on the intellectual side."

We would like to quote more from this most admirable address, but space forbids.

The cold hand of death having removed M. W. Brother Joseph Robbins, P. G. M., who for many years was the Reviewer of the Foreign Correspondence, and of whom it is said :—

"We admired Brother Robbins for his splendid form, we respected him for his profound intellect, we loved him for his affectionate heart, and we mourn for his untimely death."

His place is taken by Brother Edward Cox. The new Correspondent, Brother Cox, has reviewed the Proceedings of all Grand Lodges received, and presents a most interesting and well-prepared report upon which we beg to congratulate him. Four pages are devoted to the 1908 proceedings of the Grand Lodge of Nova Scotia, the notice being most kindly and fraternal.

M. W. Albert B. Ashley, Decatur, Ill., Grand Master.

R. W. Isaac Cutter, Camp Point, Ill., Grand Secretary.

## INDIANA—1910.

The Eighty-ninth Annual Communication, being the ninety-third year of the Most Worshipful Grand Lodge of Indiana, convened in the Masonic Temple in the City of Indiapolis on the 24th day of May, A. D., 1910, A. L., 5010, R. W. William Ridley, Deputy Grand Master, presiding. There were present Representatives of 520 of the 532 chartered lodges, besides a large number of other members of the Craft. The Grand Secretary announced the resignation of William H. Marker as Grand Master and read his letter, which was referred to a Special Committee. The committee subsequently reported that a short time after his election the Grand Master ceased to perform his duties: that during the year he was indicted, tried and convicted of a serious criminal offence in the District Court, and his offence being also a Masonic offence the grand Master resigned his position which, on the recommendation of the committee, was accepted by Grand Lodge and his name dropped from the roll of permanent membership of Grand Lodge. We sympathize not only with the deposed Grand Master but with our Sister Grand Lodge upon this most unfortunate occurrence, but are happy to say this is a case of rare occurrence.

R. W. William Ridley, Acting Grand Master, submitted a very interesting report in which he says:

"The duty of submitting the Annual Report of the work of Grand Lodge having devolved upon me, it is with a deep sense of the responsibility of my position and a desire for your indulgence and forbearance I proceed with that duty".

He reports no less than 784 of the brethren of Indiana as having gone—

"To join the innumerable throng and entered the portal of eternal rest during the year."

He also makes fitting allusion to the deceased of other jurisdictions.

Among other official Acts the Acting Grand Master reports Dispensations granted for the formation of four new lodges: one lodge constituted: three Masonic Halls dedicated: nine corner stones laid, two of which were for new Masonic Halls, the others for Public Buildings: and two weak lodges consolidated during the year. A few decisions are also reported but all of local interest, and as the Acting Grand Master says, most all were for the construction of the Masonic Law in effect in the jurisdiction.

The Grand Secretary reports a total membership of 54,710, showing a net increase in membership for 1909 of 2,195, and makes a full and complete report containing some excellent recommendations.

In Indiana they have a Grand Inspector whose duty is to visit and inspect the Subordinate Lodges. And in making an excellent report this valued official says:

"I have tried not to be too exacting or unnecessarily critical in the matter of "word-perfect ritualism," but have insisted upon a reasonaple conformity to the authorized work and the exclusion of all that is foreign to it, believing that "time, patience and perseverance" would eventually bring the desired perfection".

Wise Inspector we would say. This binding the Officers, and others, to use the same word every time, and threatening condign punishment if the least slip is made is not beneficial to Masonic progress or advancement.

We want to quote in full the following resolution because we like it and believe it would be a grand thing even in the little Grand Lodge of Nova Scotia, it is as follows:—

"RESOLVED, that the Grand Secretary be directed to procure in sufficient numbers some form of pin or badge for permanent use at Grand Lodge meetings and so constructed that the brethern may insert thereon their type-written name, residence and name of the lodge represented to be worn on the lapels of their coats during Grand Lodge sessions".

If this were done representatives would become better acquainted, and when a brother arose to address Grand Lodge whispers, and frequently loud whispers, would not be heard asking "who is that?" Again it would be a sort of introduction and the innovation would not only be most agreeable but in many instances highly convenient. Believing it to be a good move what's the matter with Nova Scotia following suit?

Strong and lengthy resolutions looking towards "an organized method of thinking, studying aud planning for the good of Free and Accepted Masonry as a national system" (whatever that may mean) were submitted, but as the resolutions, or free-will offerings, were confined to the Craft in the United States we can only stand back and take notice. Evidently the move is made looking forward to, or for the purpose, of establishing "A General Grand Lodge of the United States" but, without wishing to "butt-in" we dare express the opinion that such a thing as the formation of such an unwieldy Institution as "A General Crand Lodge" for the great Republic is a long way off but, as a matter of course, we may be wrong.

Brother Daniel McDonald, as Reviewer of the Proceedings of Sister Grand Lodges, presents his twelfth annual report in which he well and intelligently discusses the actions of some sixty Grand Lodges, Nova Scotia receiving kindly and fraternal treatment. Brother McDonald, while not saying

so in so many words, doubts the right of the Tyler to vote on applications for membership, in this connection saying:—

"But does not the Tyler, whose place is without the Lodge door, deprive himself of the right to vote when he accepts the position and is installed".

We say decidedly no. Any rights the Brother had as a member of the lodge are not forfeited by his accepting the office of Tyler. Our constitution, based on authentic Masonic Works, directs that ALL members present SHALL vote on applications for membership and in our judgement, although the station of the Tyler is outside the door, he is very much present.

M. W. Bro. William Ridley, Corydon, Grand Master.

R. W. Bro. Calvin W. Prather, Indianapolis, Grand Secretary.

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## IOWA.—1910.

Before the formal opening of the Sixty-seventh Annual Communication of the Grand Lodge of Iowa in the City of Waterloo, on the fourteenth day of June, 1910, a meeting was held at the Syndicate Theatre which was largely attended by the citizens and members of the Fraternity, and of the Order of the Eastern Star, when a hearty address of welcome to Grand Lodge was presented, to which the Grand Master made a happy and fitting reply. Would that the towns of Nova Scotia, where Grand Lodge meets, would do likewise for these adddesses of welcome to our old and ancient Order are all right, they make us feel good and start the ball rolling pleasantly for all concerned.

The address of M. W. David Watherup Clements, Grand Master, is inspiring and most interesting. After

dealing at some length with the grandeur, the beauty and the enobling principles of our organization he gives an account of the work devolving upon him during the year. And in that connection first refers to the meeting of the Grand Masters at Philadelphia, and states in detail the matters brought before that very notable conference. He reports three Lodges constituted and dispensations issued for the formation of two new ones.

Among other decisions reported by the Grand Master the following may be of some general interest:

"Held that the loss of the thumb of the right hand caused the individual to be ineligible to receive the degrees."

That is according to Iowa law.

"After his election a candidate met with an accident resulting in the loss of his foot by amputation at the ankle. Held that the election merely signified the willingness of the Lodge at that time to accept the candidate as he then was, but that he thereby obtained no vested right, and under Section 285 of the Masonic Code, which apparently prohibits conferring the degrees upon any one who has lost a foot, advancement was refused."

This question of "vested rights" may be a big one even from a Masonic standpoint but as the Code of Iowa most unmistakeably settled the matter there is nothing more to be said.

Like the Grand Masters of some other jurisdictions Brother Clements does not like the habit of smoking in the Lodge Rooms and again refers to the subject saying:—

"The brother who has become such a slave to the smoking habit that he is compelled thereby to ignore propriety and good manners and turn the Lodge Room into a private smoking-den, regardless of the rights of others and unmindful of the dignity and spirit of the fraternity, is indeed an object of pity."

Good for you, Grand Master, and we hope the offenders will sit right up and take notice. If they don't make it a Masonic offence.

A number of visits were made, two Masonic Halls dedicated and the Corner Stones for two "well and truly" laid, and so the good work goes on.

The report of the Secretary, R. W. Brother Newton R. Parvin is lengthy and full of interest. Beginning with quotations "Labor omnia vincit" (Labor conquers everything,) and closing with the stanza—

> "Labour with what zeal we will,
> Something still remains undone;
> Something uncompleted still
> Waits the rising of the sun."

gives the impression that our Brother Scribe is a Latin scholar to start with and is fond of the Muse as well. He refers to a number of interesting matters which were dealt with by Grand Lodge.

Total number of members reported for 1910...42,612.
Total number of members reported for 1909...41,075.

Net increase for the year..... 1,237

Total receipts from chartered Lodges account, Grand Lodge fees and dues the sum of $36,818.

The report on Fraternal Correspondence is by Brother Louis Block, covers two hundred and fifty-five pages and makes very interesting reading. He reviews in an able and fair manner the proceedings of fifty-eight Grand Jurisdictions, among them being Nova Scotia for 1909, which receives quite lengthy and very favorable notice, many

passages from then Grand Master Smith's address being copied in full and apparently with approval.

M. W. Bro. Frederick W. Craig, Des Moines, Grand Master.

R. W. Bro. Newton R. Parvin, Cedar Rapids, Grand Secretary.

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## IRELAND—1909.

The Annual Communication of the Grand Lodge of A. F. & A. M. of Ireland was held at Dublin on St. John's Day, December, 1909. Sir James Creed Meredith, L. L. D., D. G. M. presiding.

In his address he refers to the great loss sustained by all Ireland, but more particularly Masonry, in the lamented death of Brother Gerald Fitzgibbon. In reference to it he says, "that while he was one not willing to accept any of the the high offices that "might have been his, yet was looked up to by all as a leader."

He stated that contributions to the Masonic Schools were not as liberal as could be wished for, and that larger gifts were necessary to keep them up to the standard of efficiency of the past.

The Jubilee Annuity Fund which provides support for ancient Brethren and the widows of Masons, has also fallen away. Increased support, he states, "is necessary to carry on the work in this line."

All reports from the Provincial Grand Masters in Ireland were encouraging, showing an increase in numbers as well as in interest.

Reference is made to the fact that candidates refused in this jurisdiction often pass over to others and are made Masons. One case is citied where this was done in Scotland. It is rather surprising that the Canny Scot should be taken in in this way. Surely the fee was not an inducement.

Suitable reference is made to the fraternal dead in other jurisdictions.

Eleven new warrants were issued during the year. In one case particularly the liberality of Irish Freemasons is shown, inasmuch as one member, Brother Edward Weir, assisted by his sister, provided a site, built and furnished a Hall at a cost of about three thousand dollars. Brother Weir was afterwards appointed first W. M. of this Lodge No. 184 at Maralin.

A list of presentations made to the Museum and Library during the year, include many interesting and valuable books, relics, etc.

His Grace the Duke of Abercorn, R. G. M. W. Grand Master.

Sir James Creed Meredith, L. L. D. R. W. Deputy Grand Master.

Rt. Hon. Lord Castletown, R. W. Grand Secretary.

Henry E. Flavelle, W. Deputy Grand Secretary.

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## KENTUCKY.—1909.

On Tuesday, the 19th day of October, 1909, in the Masonic Temple, Louisville, the Grand Lodge of Kentucky opened its One Hundred and Ninth Annual Communication, M. W. Virgil P. Smith, Grand Master, presiding, supported by some eighteen Past Grand Masters, the oldest of whom, M. W. Henry Bostwick, was Grand Master in 1874,

thirty-six years ago. And in this connection we would like to say that while young blood—the life of the nation—is welcomed we rejoice to see the old Guard standing by and still interested. The very fact that eighteen P. G. Masters were present at this Communication and that three of those held offiee as far back as thirty-two, thirty-five and thirty-six years ago shows an interest that is most commendable and inspiring.

In his annual address the Grand Master says:—

"The administration of affairs of this Grand Jurisdiction has not been marked by any great or unexpected events. Our growth has been steady, peace has prevailed, harmony has been the watchward, strength the result."

In paying respect to the memory of the dead of his own and sister jurisdictions the Grand Master reports the death of his Grand Senior Deacon to whose worth he bears witness. He died May 28th, 1909. The death of M. W. Thomas Todd, P. G. M., who, for more than sixty years, attended every convocation of Grand Lodge is announced and very touching ramarks made to his being "Called Home."

From seventeen decisions given during the year we cull the following:—

"After the result of the ballot declaring a candidate rejected, a motion to reconsider is not in order, and the result of such motion thus put and carried is void and the action illegal."

Good law.

"The Grand Master has no authority to grant the privilege to a Lodge to elect one as Master who has never served as Warden, except when no member of the Lodge is qualified by having thus served, consents to serve."

This, with us, can only be done in Lodges working under dispensation.

"If the Master of a Lodge refuses to attend at any regular meeting and install the officers, then the Senior Warden, and in his absence the Junior Warden, can open the Lodge and install the officers. If none of these are present the Junior Past Master present can and should preside and perform the duties of Master."

This law is altogether different from ours in two particulars. First, if the Master and Wardens are all absent no meeting of the Lodge can be held. Second, a Past Master must install the officers.

During the year dispensations were granted for the formation of fifteen new Lodges which were set to work under proxies duly appointed.

By the Grand Treasurer's financial statement it appears the receipts for the year were $76,414.64, while the Grand Secretary reports one charter arrested, one surrendered, nineteen chartered Lodges established and seventeen under dispensation. He also reports total membership 33,872, showing a net apparent gain during the year of 1,315.

Dealing with the insiduous disease of Tuberculosis, which is now interesting so many of our public men and institutions, the following resolutions were moved and passed :—

"*Whereas*, in the campaign of education concerning the cure and prevention of consumption, which the recently organized Kentucky Association for the Study and Prevention of Tubercolosis is about to begin throughout this State, where more than 6,000 unnecessarily die from this disease every year, therefore be it

*Resolved*, That the Kentucky Association has the entire sympathy and moral support of this Grand Lodge and that we commend to every Lodge this great humanitarian movement against the greatest single cause of death in our State, and urge all members of this Grand Lodge and of our Order, to lend to this anti-tuberculosis fight their influence and co-operation."

The excellent report of Committee on the Proceedings of Sister Grand Lodges was again presented by M. W. Bro. William W. Clarke, P. G. M., who says:—

"He has endeavoured to permit each jurisdiction to tell its own story."

Among the many other Lodges reviewed Nova Scotia for 1908 is fraternally and kindly noticed, Brother Clarke being good enough to say of our work that—

"The Grand Secretary, Brother Thomas Mowbray, P. D. G. M., gives us another interesting report on correspondence."

Thanks, good brother.

The Reviewer is, like some others, surprised that the Wardens, if not Past Masters, cannot confer the degrees "in the absence of the Master." To make matters a little plainer and, possibly, more intelligible to our esteemed brother we might say the Wardens cannot under our constitution confer the degrees, or any of them, whether the Master is present or absent: in fact cannot confer same at all unless they be Past Masters. So, after all, the early teaching of our brother that "things which are equal to the same thing are equal to each other" holds good after all. Anyway, the above is our law and not only are we satisfied but like it, other opinions to the contrary notwithstanding.

M. W. Bro. John H. Cowles, Louisville, Grand Master.

R. W. Bro H. B. Grant, Louisville, Grand Secretary.

## KANSAS—1910.

Upon opening the Proceedings of the Most Worshipful Grand Lodge of Kansas for 1910, the pleasant face of M. W. Bro. Fred. Washbon, Grand Master from February, 1909, to February, 1910, is in evidence, and a good-looking fellow he is, and apparently, physically as well as otherwise, fitted for the job.

With Grand Master Washbon presiding, the fifty-fourh Annual Communication of Aucient, Freee and Accepted Masons of Kansas commenced its Proceedings at the Home Theatre, in the City of Hutchinson, on the 16th day of February, 1910. One of the first things done was for the Grand Secretary, by the directions of the Grand Master, to call the Roll of Grand Representatives, who were then formally introduced to Grand Lodge. Considering these distinguished brethren represent the Sister Grand Jurisdictions, the courtesy is splendid as well as fraternal, and is not only an honour to the Representative but a token of respect to his Grand Lodge. We also are in the habit of extending a like welcome, but not when Grand Lodge first opens, but at any old time : generally when there is nothing else to do, We are sorry to note that the Grand Representative for Nova Scotia was not present to be introduced and welcomed among the rest.

The Grand Master delivered a very suitable address dealing with matters usually found in such documents. He reports that :—

"The year has been one of general material prosperity throughout the Grand Jurisdiction: a great agricultural commonwealth it has been blest with bountiful crops and highly remunerative prices, and as a result the people have been, and are, prosperous, happy and contented."

And adds :—

"Such conditions are very naturally propitious for the growth and development of the Craft. The annual returns from the constituent Lodges show a net gain in membership in 1909 of 1,585, being 19 less than in 1908, and 119 less than in 1907, which was the largest net increase ever recorded in the history of Grand Lodge,"

While explaining that the loss did not result from a diminution of the amount of work done, or lack of interest, but rather from increased number of deaths, the Grand Master reports that ten charters have been granted and two dispensations issued for new Lodges during year.

Eighty-seven special dispensations were granted, fifty of which, we regret to learn, were granted to confer degrees "without regard to time" any old time, it would appear, while the others were for the usual purposes.

The Grand Master was called upon to announce the sudden death of Albert Sarbach, Grand Treasurer, and reported that through the action of the deceased the funds of Grand Lodge had been impaired to the extent of some $16,358.99. But as Grand Lodge held a bond from a Surety Company, the amount was made good by that concern. Another proof that good business methods should prevail in Masonry let the officer stand ever so well, or be ever so highly thought of.

No decisions of general importance to the Craft are reported, all questions asked having reference to the work in the Jurisdiction, and in connection with the work, or uniformity in work, the Grand Master says :—

"In providing for the issuance of an official cipher this Grand Lodge took a very advanced step, but notwithstanding the torrent of criticism which the action has been subjected to on the part of other Grand Jurisdictions, the results have fully justified the wisdom of the law."

As the "Official Cipher" is a very vexed question with our good Nova Scotia brethren, many of the younger members favouring while older heads disapprove, we make no comment but refer what the Grand Master has said to the consideration of our brethren as a whole, for undoubtedly there is a good deal to be said on both sides.

An eloquent oration by W. Brother Charles E. Lobdell, on the "Man and the Mason," formed part of the proceedings, the closing words being :—

"Let us then, brethren, today resolutely face the east and press on to the high estate of Manhood and Masonry whereunto we are called, guarding well the outer door, searching each his own conscience and casting out the evil, gentle but firm in admonition to the erring brother, our motto ever being, 'He builds best for Masonry who builds for Manhood best.'"

The report on Correspondence is by M. W. Bro. Matthew M. Miller, P.G.M., and is his eighth production. Nova Scotia for 1908 receives fraternal notice. Brother Miller, like some other reviewers, is rather surprised that the wardens cannot, in the absence of the Master, or at all unless they are Past Masters, confer the degrees, pointing out that in Illinois and Kansas any one qualified (by which we assume he means Master Masons) can confer the degrees for the Master or Warden presiding. Our answer or explanation is that in Nova Scotia it is the written law that neither of the Wardens, nor for that matter no one else, can confer the degrees unless they are Past Masters, and while not finding fault with the law in the other Jurisdictions named, we like our own the best and would not care to see it changed.

M. W. Bro. Marion K. Brundage, Russell, Grand Master.

R. W. Bro. Albert K. Wilson, Topeka, Grand Secretary.

## LOUISIANA—1910.

With a large attendance of Grand Lodge Officers, Past Grand Officers, Past Masters and Delegates the Grand Lodge of Louisiana opened its Ninety-eight Annual Communication in the City of New Orleans on the 14th. February, 1910, M. W. Grand Master L. E. Thomas in the Grand East.

In commencing his admirable address the Grand Master says—

"Old Father Time, who carries the Sickle which cuts the brittle thread of our existence and launches us into eternity has rolled off another cycle, and it becomes my duty as your servant to render an account of my Stewardship".

Again, in speaking of the Masonic Institution, and for what it stands he is moved to make the following remarks,—

"I believe the principles and teachings of this venerable institution are of Divine origin. Why do I say this? Because the work of man is transient and will pass away, but God's work is eternal and will live forever. Take the many splendid monuments of antiquity erected by man's skill and cunning where are they to-day? Look at some of the seven wonders of the world. The beautiful hanging gardens of Babylon, the Light House at Pharos, the Temple of Diana, the Colossus at Rhodes and many others. Where are they today? They remain only as transient dreams. Even the magnificient temple erected on Mt. Moriah was razed to the ground, and tho' rebuilt by Zerubabel and repaired by King Herod, yet General Titus at the command of Rome laid it in ashes. But not so Freemasonry, the mysteries of which have been lodged in faithful breasts. Tools and implements of architecture have been selected to implant upon the mind wise and serious truths and through the succession of ages have been transmitted unimpaired the most valuable tenets of our institution".

Speaking of the growth of the Order in his jurisdiction the Grand Master, gives the following very gratifying information,—

"The Order during the past ten years has had a marvellous growth. In 1900 we had 138 active lodges, and 5,515 members. We had a bonded debt of $20,000 on our Temple property. Today we have 204 active lodges, and

13,000 members, and the debt on the Temple paid off five years ago, and besides we have expended $25,000 in renovating and beautifying the Temple during my administration in 1907: We have also a comfortable balance in the treasury and no debt whatever, and several thousand dollars in the Widow and Orphan's Fund". He also reports " a net increase of 585 in the membership during the year 1909. '

No less than seventy-seven decisions are reported, mostly of local interest but in one, dealing with " Physical disability," the Grand Master reports,—

"I wrote Bro Storm that a man with the second and third fingers off his left hand, and two toes missing is eligible for the degrees of Freemasonry, but that a Dispensation must be issued by the Grand Master before the lodge could entertain his petition".

This is about in line with Nova Scotia decisions, and shows that in Louisiana the English Rule must be pretty closely followed.

The Grand Secretary presented a very full and most interesting report containing useful information, which was adopted by Grand Lodge.

The sum of $25.00 per month was allowed the Grand Lecturer for travelling expenses, to which other remuneration will, no doubt, be added.

The report on Foreign Correspondence covers the proceedings of a large number of Grand Lodges, and is well gotten up by Rev. Brother Herman C. Duncan. Nova Scotia for 1908 receives extended notice many extracts from Grand Master Smith's address being quoted at length. Speaking of our Grand Lodge attending Divine Service before opening the Annual Communications Brother Duncan says "it is worthy of attention," why not say "imitation'?

M. W. Bro. John S. Thilbaut, Donaldsville, Grand Master.

R. W. Bro. Richard Lambert, New Orleans, Grand Secretary.

## MAINE—1909.

M. W. Bro. Edmund B. Mallett, Grand Master, presided at the Ninetieth Annual Communication of the Grand Lodge of Maine which met in Corinthian Hall, in the City of Portland, on the 4th day of May, 1909. The attendance was large, and included R. W. John H. McGorrill, Grand Representative for Nova Scotia.

In his annual address the Grand Master says :—

"I am pleased to say that the year last past has been one of peace and harmony : peace has been triumphant and harmony has prevailed throughout the Jurisdiction.

Our relations with other Grand Jurisdictions have remained most friendly and fraternal, and I am glad to report that throughout the land peace and harmony prevail, and the earnest desire of all is that this condition may remain so to the end that Masonry may fulfil its highest mission."

The membership is now 27,864, a net gain during the year of 508.

Among other deaths noticed and respectfully alluded to by the Grand Master are R. W. Curtis, R. Foster, P. S. G.W., and Representative of the Grand Lodge of Prince Edward Island near the Grand Lodge of Maine, which occurred on the 31st day of July, 1908; also R. W. Alden M. Weatherbe, P. J. G. W., and Representative of the Grand Lodge of Manitoba near the Grand Lodge of Maine who died October 15th, 1909, both good and estimable Masons.

Dispensations were granted a large number of Lodges to attend Divine Service in commemmoration of St. John's Day, and one dispensation was issued for the formation of a

new Lodge during the year. The Grand Master has a good word to say about his District Deputies who there, as here, are most useful, zealous and efficient officials, and whose good work counts.

The Grand Secretary presents a short report with a good deal in it. Referring to Secretaries of the Subordinate Lodges who are slow or careless, Brother Berry makes these timely remarks :—

"Masters who find they have slow secretaries, should see that they answer letters promptly. Two Lodges in distant States, after writing twice to Maine Lodges without receiving answers, were obliged to apply to their Grand Secretaries. The Grand Lodge should not be burdened with private Lodge correspondence, and a secretary who will neglect a sister Lodge, writing on important business, to save labour should be promptly supplied with an alert assistant."

Very good, Brother Grand Secretary, but we would go a step further and instead of supplying the "alert assistant," we would request the negligent official to get down and out of office himself.

The Correspondence report is by M. W. Albro E. Chase in which Nova Scotia for 1908 was briefly noticed.

M. W. Bro. Edmund B. Mallett, Freeport, Grand Master, (re-elected.)

R. W. Bro. Stephen Berry, Portland, Grand Secretary, (re-elected.)

## MANITOBA—1909.

At the Thirty-Fourth Annual Communication of the M. W. Grand Lodge of Manitoba, A. F. & A. M., held in the Masonic Temple, Winnipeg, on Wednesday, June 9th, 1909, there were present eleven Past Grand Masters besides twenty-three other Past Grand Officers, forty-six representatives of other Grand Lodges (among the number being Nova Scotia's representative) and one hundred and eighty-seven Past Masters and Wardens.

M. W. Bro. Henry J. Pugh, Grand Master, presided and delivered the annual address. In referring to the Fraternal Dead he makes fit and touching reference to the loss sustained by his own jurisdiction in the death of M. W. Brother Thos. Robinson, P. G. M., which occurred on Aug. 10th, 1908, while the brother was en route to England for the benefit of his health. The following words refer to one quality we should all seek to cultivate more freely :—

> "Then how solicitous for harmony and good feeling among the members, and in our debates, ever prompt to apply gentle conciliation, words to soothe the ruffle of friction and to disarm discord with the soft weapon of courtesy."

One dispensation only was refused during the year, a request to be permitted to wear regalia at a Masonic ball.

Evidently the Masons of Manitoba are making themselves more familiar with the constitution and by-laws, as he refers to the fact that with the exception of a few minor questions, his term has been free from requests for decisions.

During the year he paid seventeen official visits, and regrets his inability to have visited more, feeling that great good comes from the head of the Craft coming in touch with the brethren in their own lodge-rooms.

Due praise is given to the several D. D. G. Masters who performed their work in so creditable a manner.

During the year five new Lodges were instituted.

Reference is made to the flourishing condition of the Craft in the whole Jurisdiction and the hope expressed that more of the Lodges will soon acquire their own rooms.

A telegram conveying hearty congratulations from the Grand Lodge of N. S. then in session, was read and replied to.

Handsome chain collars were presented to two Past Grand Masters.

The Grand Treasurer's report on current account shows a balance of $1,482.08 on hand, while that of the Grand Secretary shows a total membership of 4,554, a gain during the year of 306.

The Communication was closed in ample form at 11 p. m. June 10.

No correspondence report.

M. W. Bro. James D. Baine, Boissevain, Grand Master.

M. W. Bro. James A. Ovas, Winnipeg, Grand Secretary.

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## MARYLAND.—1909.

A picture of the New Masonic Temple, Baltimore, forms the frontispiece to this year's proceedings of Grand Lodge. Owing to the Temple not being completed the Two Hundred and Forty-fourth Semi-Annual Communication of the Grand Lodge of A. F. & A. Masons of Maryland was held at the I. O. O. F. Temple in the City of Baltimore, on the second Tuesday of May, 1909. As usual Grand Lodge was opened by the Deputy Grand Master after which, it was unanimously

resolved to procure a suitable testimonial for the Silver Jubilee of the Grand Master, Thomas J. Shryock, and a committee was appointed for the purpose. At this stage the M. W. Grand Master, accompanied by his suite, was announced, received with Grand Honors and assumed the duties of the Grand East.

After the appointment of several committees the Grand Master made a short address referring to the progress made in the reconstruction of the new temple, and presented a bound volume containing the abstract of titles of the Grand Lodge property, the gift of Brother George R. Willis.

A Charter was granted to Baltimore Lodge, No. 210, Baltimore. The Grand Treasurer and Grand Secretary both being absent from this Communication an account of illness, suitable resolutions were ordered to be drawn up and forwarded to these distinguished brethren.

A very fine cut of the distinguished Grand Master, Gen. Thomas J. Shyrock, precedes the proceedings of the Special Communication of Grand Lodge held on the third Tuesday of November, 1909, for the purpose of re-dedicating the Masonic Temple, at which a large number were present. After the beautiful dedicatory ceremonies, carried out in detail, were completed the Grand Master delivered an address, commencing as follows :—

"We are gathered today in imitation of the children of Israel, led by our first Most Excellent Grand Master Solomon, who dedicated to God a new Temple, erected to glorify his name. It is a solemn function. For we are to dedicate this restored Temple to charity, which is Masonry, and ourselves anew to the fatherhood of God and the brotherhood of man. It is a joyons hour, for out of our misfortunes wo have erected a far grander structure than it has ever been the privilege of the Masons of Maryland to enjoy. Our work is completed, and we can look upon it and exclaim : "Behold, it is

good." All that a generous Fraternity, skilled workmen and cultivated taste could do to provide a Temple worthy of our ancient and honorable Fraternity, and its noble tenets, has been done."

By invitation of the Grand Master an oration was delivered on the happy occasion by M. W. Grand Master, George B. Orlady, of Philadelphia, and needless to say it was eloquent, instructive and deeply interesting.

The regular Annual Communication, being the one hundred and twenty-third, was held in the Masonic Temple, Baltimore, on the sixteenth day of November, 1909, and was largely attended. After the opening ceremonies, M. W. Grand Master Shyrock took the chair and proceeded with the business. By a unanimous vote the Grand Master of Pennsylvania, M. W. Bro. George B. Orlady, was made an honorary Past Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Maryland. Certainly a fitting compliment to a most estimable man and Mason, and the present head of that Grand Lodge of which the Grand Lodge of Maryland is a daughter.

The Grand Master of Maryland very rarely presents a written address, but did so on this occasion, the 122nd year of the existence of his Grand Lodge and the 24th of his Grand Mastership. Quite a notable record. He announced the presence of the Grand Masters of thirty States, and to them extended most cordial and fraternal greeting. At a later stage in the proceedings all these distinguished brethren responded to the welcome.

The Committee on Correspondence submitted a special report dealing with an address issued by the Grand Lodge of Tennessee inviting its sister Grand Lodges to unite with it in a resolute purpose to suppress the publication and use of "Cipher Rituals." As showing the position of the Grand

Lodge of Maryland on this most important matter, the committee quote a resolution passed at the November Communication, 1863, and which is as follows :—

"Resolved by the Grand Lodge of Maryland that the publication of any part of esoteric Masonry in ciphers or memonics, is regarded as a shameful and gross departure from Masonic propriety, and a dishonourable violation of our obligations as Masons, and we do hereby utter the condemnation of this Grand Lodge against such acts."

In installing the Grand Secretary the Grand Master varied the usual form of investiture, by vacating the East, approaching the Altar and personally investing the brother with the jewel of his office, saying :—

"That it gave him great pleasure to re-invest him with the jewel of his office, in view of his faithful services rendered to the Grand Lodge for a period of forty years, and that he indulged the hope that the Master Architect would spare his life for many years, in which case he had no doubt he would serve the Grand Lodge as faithfully in the future as in the past."

The Correspondence Report which covers 106 pages, is the work of R. W. Brother T. Schultz and the proceedings of some fifty-two Grand Lodges are reviewed in a fair and impartial manner. Nova Scotia for 1908 is fraternally noticed, but, like some others, he objects to the Wardens not having the power to confer the degrees in the absence of the Master. Well, our constitution says they cannot and that settles the question here.

M. W. Bro. Thomas J. Shyrock (25th term) Baltimore, Grand Master.

R. W. Bro. William M. Isaac, Baltimore, Grand Secretary.

## MASSACHUSETTS—1909.

The Quarterly Communications of the Grand Lodge of Massachusetts were held on the 10th March: September 8; and December 8th, the latter being the Annual. Special Communications May 31st; July 24th; September 15th; October 3rd, and 25th, and November 15th and 22nd, while the Stated Communication was held on December 28th, the Feast of Saint John, being the One Hundred and Seventy-sixth Anniversary. At the first quarterly presided over by M. W. Bro. Dana J. Flanders, Grand Master R. W. Bro. John Albert Blake, Chairman of the Masonic Home Committee a report of progress stating that a suitable property had been purchased and that the furnishing of fifteen rooms had been provided for by Masonic Bodies and Brother Masons at an expense not to exceed $100 per room.

The Special Communication held on the 31st May was for the purpose of laying the Corner Stone of the Soldier's and Sailor's Monument, which being done a repast was provided by the City Government in the Banquet Hall of the Masonic Building which proved most enjoyable.

The second quarterly was held on the ninth day of June when a further report was submitted from the Masonic Home Committee, and the Grand Master gave a short account of the proceedings of the Grand Masters of the States east of the Mississippi River held at Philadelphia and assured the brethren that no action was taken or intended towards the establishment of a General Grand Lodge, but the meeting was held solely for the purpose of obtaining greater uniformity in certain matters effecting all the jurisdictions represented.

The Special Communication of July 24th was held for the purpose of laying the Corner Stone of a new building at Chelsea for the use of Masonic Bodies in that City: that on the 17th day of September was for the purpose of assisting in the celebration of the Semi-Centennial Anniversary of Oxford Lodge in the town of Oxford, Mass.: the Special of 3rd of October was held to lay the Corner Stone of the new church edifice of the First Universalist Society: another was held on the 25th day of October to dedicate a Masonic Temple at Chicopee Falls in the City of Chicopee for the use of Belcher lodge; in the City of Marlborough on the 15th day of November a Special was held for the purpose of assisting in the celebration of Fiftieth Anniversary of United Brethren Lodge, and the last Special for the year was held on the 22nd day of November to assist in the celebration of the Fiftieth Anniversary of John Cutler Lodge, in the town of Abington.

At the quarterly communication held in Boston on September 8th that Grand Old Man and Eminent Mason, M. W. Brother Nickerson, Grand Historian, was present in Grand Lodge for the last time, calling the attention of Grand Lodge to "the latest effusion from Pennsylvania in its pretended claim to priority of chartered existence". At the following Quarterly, held at Boston on the eight day of December the Grand Master announced the death of Brother Nickerson, which had taken place on the sixth November, 1909, and that he had appointed a committee to prepare a special memorial. This memorial containing a full account of Brother Nickerson's life and labors on behalf of Freemasonry —that institution he loved so fondly—was presented. In it, among other things, the committee say,—

"One of Brother Nickerson's great disappointments was his inability for want of time to gather more information and evidence relative to the famous stone, the original description of which is in the possession of the New England Historic Genealogical Society: this stone marked with Masonic emblems, with its date 1606, was found at Annapolis Royal in Nova Scotia, and properly authenticated, and is fully described in our proceedings for 1891".

Any one who ever had the pleasure of discussing the history of this celebrated Stone with the late Brother Nickerson, as the writer had, will bear witness to the great interest taken by our distinguished Brother therein, and how eagerly he sought and grasped any information relative thereto.

At this Quarterly the Grand Master delivered the Annual Address by which it appears that during the year he made many visititations, granted a large number of dispensations and discharged his duties faithfully and well and evidently to the satisfaction of the brethren who re-elected him.

The Masonic Home committee reported the "Home" completed, and they were instructed to formulate and submit plans for its management and administration.

At the Stated Communication held in the Masonic Temple, Boston, on 28th December—Saint John's Day—the Officers were duly installed and the usual Grand Feast was held at which many eloquent and inspiring addresses were delivered.

Number of affiliated members, August 31, 1909.....56,198
Total number affiliated members, August 31, 1908....54,431

Showing a net increase during the year of..... 1,767

No foreign correspondence report, which we regret.

M. W. Bro. Dana J. Flanders, Malden, Grand Master.

R. W. Bro. Thomas W. Davis, Boston, Grand Secretary.

## MICHIGAN—1910.

After M. W. Bro. Arthur M. Hume had declared the sixty-sixth Annual Communication of the Grand Lodge of Free and Accepted Masons of Michigan opened on the twenty-fourth day of May, our Victoria Day, 1910, in the Masonic Temple, Saginaw, His Honor, Dr. George W. Spencer, Mayor extended the hospitalities of the City to the visiting brethern, which were duly appreciated.

The Grand Secretary's roll call showed in attendance thirteen Past Grand Masters (all but five of those living) forty-three Grand Representatives, Nova Scotia being represented by Brother Horace S. Maynard, and a very large gathering of the craft.

The Grand Master presents a very full and interesting address giving an account of his stewardship during the past year. After noting the passing away of many distinquished brethern of Sister Jurisdictions the Grand Master says,—

"While we extend to our sister Grand Jurisdictions our sympathy in their bereavements, we have reason to thank God, that our own corps of Grand Lodge officers has remained unbroken, and that no call has come to those whom we love and respect for their builders' work of bye-gone days—our Past Grand Masters".

Four lodges were instituted, and dispensations were granted for the formation of four new lodges during the year. The Grand Master dedicated eight new Masonic Temples or Lodge Rooms, and laid, or directed the laying, of eleven corner stones of new buildings, but we note only two were for Masonic purposes. He also reports that on the 15th. February, 1910, their Home was practically completely destroyed by fire, but is happy to report no lives were lost.

The inmates are being cared for in another place pending the erection of a new Home, which will be undertaken at an early date. We sympathize with our brethern in their loss, but no doubt they will build bigger andbetter than ever. They are the chaps that can and will do it.

Referring to decisions the Grand Master reports that he has given none remarking: "and though I may have lost my only opportunity of erecting to my memory a marker in the cemetery of "Has Beens", the "Digest of Approved Decisions of Grand Masters", I am content to be remembered only by what I have done."

The Grand Secretary's report is full and instructive. He gives the total receipts for the year as $31,791.93, and tells what he did with the "dough". He also informs us that the number of life members has increased from 636 January 1st. 1909, to 1,004 January 1st. 1910, while the total membership January 1st. 1910, was 63,022, a net increase of 2,323 during the year.

A resolution was passed according fraternal recognition to the Swiss Grand Lodge "Alpina" and that exchange of Grand Representatives be duly arranged for.

The report on Foreign Correspondence, his seventh, is by that excellent Mason and our brother Scribe, M. W. Bro. Lou B. Winsor. In a very full and careful manner he reviews the proceedings of sixty-seven Grand Lodges, his report covering some 390 pages. Nova Scotia for 1909 is fully and fraternally noticed and lengthy quotations from Grand Master Smith's address given. Brother Winsor is good enough to say of us that "Grand Secretary, Thomas Mowbray, submits, as usual, an excellent and interesting report on "correspon-

dence". These remarks coming from such a source are appreciated and, unlike our worthy brother, we are not too modest to reproduce them.

M. W. Bro. G. Roscoe Swift, Adrian, Grand Master.

M. W. Bro. Lou B. Winsor, P. G. M., Reed City, Grand Secretary.

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## MINNESOTA—1910.

The Fifty-seventh Annual Communication of the Grand Lodge of Ancient, Free and Accepted Masons of Minnesota was held in the City of St. Paul on the 19th day of January, A. D., 1910, A. L. 5910 when all the Grand Officers, except the Grand Marshall, were present and 228 lodges out of a total of 251 on the roll were represented.

After the Grand Lodge had been opened in Ample Form by the M. W. Grand Master, Eugene E. Swan, and committees had been appointed, the Annual Address was delivered. In it in a concise form the Grand Master gives a resume of his official acts during the year. He reports having constituted three lodges, and granted dispensations for the formation of two new lodges while, for good and sufficient reasons, a dispensation to establish a lodge at Dear River, Itasca County, was refused. Five decisions were reported, Nos. 3 and 4 being as follows :—

"The Worshipful Master of a lodge has no right to examine any one who requests it, either in or out of lodge. Any brother can make the examination by request or permission of the Worshipful Master."

"Provided the Worshipful Master or a Warden of the lodge to be visited was a member of the committee it is right and proper for three brethern to constitute themselves a committee and examine a Visitor OUTSIDE the Lodge and BETWEEN meetings, and then instruct the Tyler to admit the visitor without any further ceremony".

Very properly, we think, the committee on jurisprudence disapproved of these rulings stating that

"A committee must be appointed at the meeting visited, and that committee must report its findings to the Lodge and must either vouch for the visitor after such report to the Senior Deacon, or may personally introduce the visitor to the Lodge".

We generally adopt the latter course, the examining committee accompanying the visiting brother and introducing him to the Lodge.

Recognition to the German Grand Lodge Union, Italy, Cosmos, Hungary, Turkey, Belgium, Chili, Nicaragua and Greece were refused. Our Grand Lodge has granted recognition to the Grand Lodge of Belgium, and thinking it was proper to do so, we can hardly understand why our Minnesota brethren refused. However, we agree with one of the Reviewers who said that there should be granted, or refused, these Foreign Bodies, and then we would have some uniformity in the matter. As it is now one Grand Lodge, with which we have Masonic Relations, grants while another refuses Recognition, and there we are.

The Grand Secretary reports total membership 24,944, showing a net gain over last year of 1,020. Receipts for the year $16,906.46.

A lengthy and very eloquent oration was delivered by Brother Robert E. Denfield. Commencing this instructive address Brother Denfield says,—

"Another year has rolled into the centuries of the past. Its failures are deplored while its triumphs are written in monuments of human achievements. Individuals and institutions have kept step to the noble strains of "Peace on Earth, Good Will to Men", while thoughts have widened with with the process of the suns".

And in conclusion the Orator eloquently remarks,—

"Away then with indifference. Let us rise to the full stature of the Masonic manhood—let us seek honor by the doing of good deeds. Let us remember that "as we seek, so shall we find". Let not the Masonic emblem or charm be the only badge that marks us as one of the brotherhood, but let us remember that the highest and proudest title that can be conferred upon us is that we stand just and upright Masons.

"The Order is not a preparation for the future, but a demand for the present. Rightly lived Masonry furnishes a solace and leaves behind a rich memory, so that when life's fitful fever is over and the Spirit's eye beholds the dawn of Eternal Day we shall know what rest is and shall grasp the poet's meaning."

Following are some beautiful lines of poetry which, did space permit we should like to copy, as also some further "gems" from this oration.

Brother Irving Todd, for the committee on correspondence, presents the report dealing in a brief and summary manner with the Proceedings of eighty Grand Lodges, Nova Scotia for 1908 receiving fraternal notice.

M. W. Bro. William B. Patton, Duluth, Grand Master.

R. W. Bro. John Fishel, St. Paul, Grand Secretary.

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## MISSISSIPPI.—1910.

The Ninety-second Annual Communication of the Grand Lodge of Mississippi was held in the City of Columbus on the fifteenth day of February, 1910.

Prior to the opening of Grand Lodge a Public Reception was held when an address of welcome was presented by the Mayor of the City to which suitable responses were made, and a good time enjoyed. M. W. Bro. Wiley H. Clifton,

Grand Master, presided at the opening of Grand Lodge which was attended by a large number of the Craft including Grand Representatives from many sister jurisdictions but Nova Scotia's, we regret to say, was not there.

In his address the Grand Master, after repeating what the District Deputies say,

"That never before in the history of Mississippi were there ever so many ducated Masons as now,"

Becomes prophetic and says :—

"We have entered the last decade of a century's labour as a Grand Lodge in Mississippi, and I am not a dreamer when I venture the prediction that if you will continue this campaign of education as now organized, when we celebrate our centenary you will not only have an educated craft, and that means Masons in the broadest sense, but you will have a membership of 40,000 souls."

To which we respectfully say, "So mote it be."

The Grand Master made a number of visitations, granted many dispensations, refused ten and declined to lay the Corner Stone of a conservatory of music because it was not a public building, reporting that he wrote the President, Mrs. M. D. Hart, the reason of the refusal. Heartless G. Master.

Seven decisions are reported, nearly all of which are solely of local interest. In the seventh and last the Grand Master decided that a bastard could not be made a Mason. Now, while it is not pleasant to be an illegetimate still we do not think that a sufficient ground to bar a candidate from the privileges of Freemasonry, and are pleased to note other jurisdictions do not view the matter in the same way. Many good men, yes, we can go further and say many good Masons were born bastards, but without any fault of theirs. Free-

masonry is Charity and it is not charitable to punish the child for the folly, or crime if you like, of their parents. At least that is the way we view it, and in so doing we are in good company.

The twenty-nine District Deputies present very full and interesting reports, showing both care and zeal in the performance of their duties.

The Grand Secretary presents his eighth annual report by which we learn that during the time he has held office the number of Lodges has increased from 278 to 338 Lodges—and eleven Lodges under dispensation besides several others in process of formation, giving a grand total of 349 Lodges, while the membership has increased from 10,676 to 17,122.

The rank of Honorary Past Grand Master of Masons was conferred upon Bro. A. M. Hicks in consideration of his Masonic work.

A Special Committee reported strongly against recognizing Colored Men as Masons, and their report was adopted without a "dissenting voice."

The report on correspondence is presented by M. W. Bro. Harry T. Howard in which the proceedings of Nova Scotia for 1908 are briefly reviewed, and a number of our Grand Master's decisions quoted but without comment.

M. W. Bro. Walter M. Connor, Hattiesburg, Grand Master.

R. W. Bro. Frederick Speed, Vicksburg, Grand Secretary.

## MISSOURI—1909.

At the Auditorium in the City of St. Joseph on the 28th day of September, 1909, the Eighty-eighth Annual Communication of the Grand Masonic Lodge of the State of Missouri convened, M. W. Bro. Robert R. Kreeger, Grand Master, being on the throne. Before the opening ceremonies Charity Lodge and the other blue Lodges of the city presented the Grand Master with a beautiful Gavel, to be used at this Grand Communication and to retain as a memento of the meeting of Grand Lodge in St. Joseph. The souvenir was accepted by the Head of the Craft in the spirit in which it was presented, and returned thanks.

A very fine address was presented by the Grand Master in which he says :—

"The official family of this Grand Lodge has been the object of special favours during the last year, and its relations have been exceedingly happy and harmonious. No contentions have arisen, no vacancies occurred, either in the elective or appointive positions, excepting in the single case of Fraternal Correspondent, caused by the death of M. W. Bro. R. E. Anderson. As a token of respect and an indication of our high regard for him and appreciation of his services, a successor has not been appointed, preferring to permit him to serve throughout the year in spirit, if not in reality."

M. W. Brother Anderson died on the 27th July, 1909, at his home in Palmyra where, as the Grand Master says, "practically all of an active and positive life of more than three score years and ten had been spent." He died full of years and honours, and the brethren mourn their great and immediate loss. Owing to the death of Brother Anderson, M. W. Brothers D. M. Wilson and C. C. Woods, Past Grand Masters: R. W. Brothers J. R. MacLachlan, F. A. Leach, John H. Miller, George T. Burnham, Howard Smith, W. H.

Manning, John W. Bingham and Enoch B. Seitz reviewed the proceedings of the sister Grand Lodges and thanks were tendered therefor.

The Masonic Home came in for a large share of praise for the commendable work it is doing, the Grand Master saying of it that "Out in Delmar Avenue, in the City of St Louis, stands the pride of every true Masonic heart in the State." Evidently it is doing splendid service for the Craft.

During the year corner-stones for nine buildings were laid, but we note only one was for a building for Masonic purposes, the others being for churches and educational institutions. Dispensations were granted for the formation of seven new Lodges, and fourteen decisions reported of which four deal with persons, directly or indirectly, engaged in the liquor traffic being eligible for the Mysteries of Freemasonry. The other ten, like these four decisions, are only of local interest and governed by the Masonic law of the State. The Grand Master reports relations with all sister Grand Jurisdictions most cordial and satisfactory, and hopes for a continuance of the same.

M. W. Bro. John R. Parson, Grand Secretary, stated in his interesting report that he had for the fourth consecutive time secured annual reports and collected Grand Lodge dues from every one of the 600 Lodges in the State, and is happy accordingly. Among the Special Dispensations noted in the Grand Secretary's report is for the public installation in a church. Well' that beats all, even including our "brass band" at the opening of Grand Lodge, but then we suppose it is all right in the Cornmeal State.

In Missouri there are 600 Chartered Lodges, total number of members, 49,088, showing a net gain of 1,658 during

the year, while the Grand Lodge dues were $59,629.75, and prospects for the future most bright.

R. W. Brother H. W. Hughes, Senior Grand Warden of the Grand Lodge of Iowa, made an official visit to the Grand Lodge of Missouri and was most cordially welcomed by the Grand Master. He delivered a very pleasing address conveying the fraternal greetings of his brethren to which a suitable response was made.

The report on Fraternal Correspondence was submitted by Brother Parson, the Grand Secretary, in which the proceedings of sixty-six sister Grand Lodges are excellently reviewed. The work covers 140 pages, the important matters coming before the different Grand Bodies being nicely and succinctly dealt with, Nova Scotia for 1909 is pleasantly and fraternally mentioned, the reviewer saying of our Grand Master's address:—

"This is a very able and complete presentation of the Grand Master's official acts, this being the fourth time he has greeted his Brethren from the East."

M. W. Bro. William A. Hall, Saint Louis, Grand Master.

M. W. Bro. John R. Parson, Saint Louis, Grand Secretary.

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## MONTANA—1909.

On opening the proceedings of the 45th Annual Communication of the M. W. Grand Lodge A. F. & A. M. of Montana, which was held at Butte, Sept. 15th, 1909, the eye at once is caught by a very fine cut of the retiring Grand Master, M. W. Bro. C. B. Nolan and on the page preceding is a short sketch of his career. Both the cut and the sketch

prove that the Grand Lodge of Montana, have good reason to be proud of their Past Grand Master.

The sketch also proves that it is not always a mistake to advance brethern rapidly, since only seven months elapsed from the raising of Brother Nolan until he was Knighted, having in the meantime received the several degrees in Chapter and Council.

Four Special Communications were held during the year, three to lay corner-stones, the fourth to dedicate a new Masonic Temple.

The Annual Communication was opened in Ample Form M. W. Grand Master Nolan presiding.

Twenty-three Grand Jurisdictions were represented, Nova Scotia not being among the number.

Twelve pages are given to the address of the Grand Master which deals with the different matters of interest to Grand Lodge in a business-like manner. He congratulates the brethren on the evidence of returned prosperity in which masonry shares and states "By general consent Masonry is acclaimed as one of the great institutions mainly concerned and ever active for man's elevation."

Reference is made to the Fraternal Dead of other jurisdictions, while rejoicing in the fact that death had not invaded the ranks of their own Grand Officers.

Four new lodges were constituted and one dispensation issued.

The Masonic Home is completed and furnished and we learn by the report of the trustees that this building, valued at $85,000, has only a debt of $20,000, and steps were taken to pay off this amount by the issuing of bonds to that

amount. The closing words of the Grand Master referring to the home are as follows:—

"It will be gratifying to us though the maintenance of this home will be a burden to us to know that worthy brothers and sisters may here spend their declining years in comparative ease and quiet."

Among the dispensations granted was one "to confer the Fellowcraft and Master Masons Degree on an apprentice at the same meeting."

This is "going some" almost equal to the speed of the colored gentleman as related by the Grand Master in the preface of his reffort. While we are informed that the conditions were of such a character as to warrant the issuing of the dispensation we feel that if so it must have been an exceptional case.

Three decisions only are quoted. No. 2 being a case in regard to the use of the black ball. Permission to order a reballot is asked for "the person casting the black ball was actuated by improper influences."

While permission was of course refused, we wonder how the above was known if the "the secrecy of the ballot" was properly maintained.

In conclusion the Grand Master although hailing from the "Emerald Isle" does not hesitate to quote from the "Scottish Bard and Brother."

The Grand Secretary in his report refers to the assistance extended by the Italian Consul (although not a Mason) in preventing the formation of a Clandestine Lodge.

The report of the Grand Treasurer shows a balance on hand of $6,232.30.

The reports of the various committees show the finances

to be all in a healthy condition with balances on the right side.

The report on the Foreign Correspondence was prepared by M. W. Bro. H. S. Hepner, P. G. M., and his apology is not necessary. It covers seventy proceedings and was prepared in three weeks. Brother Hepner must have kept late hours during the time of preparation. It is exceptionally good, and while the remarks are brief, they are also to the point. He has a way of getting directly at the kernel without waste of words.

In referring to the dispensation to confer degrees in less than constitutional time, while reviewing District of Columbia he states, "rare indeed has been the exercise of this power on the part of Montana's Grand Master," although during the year then closing, such dispensations had been granted for two degrees at the same meeting. We are glad that this only occurs rarely.

Nova Scotia for 1908 receives extended notice, and the Grand Master's address and decisions quoted from.

M. W. Bro. John L. Carroll, Butte, Grand Master.

R. W. Bro. Cornelius Hedges, Jr., Helena, Grand Secretary.

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## NEBRASKA—1909.

The proceedings of Forty-second Annual Communication of the Grand Lodge of A. F. & A. M. of Nebraska for 1909 comes to us in a neat bound volume of about two hundred and fifty pages.

Two Emergent Communications were held during the year, one to accompany the remains of P. D. G. M. Henry

Brown from Omaha to Nebraska City, where interment took place.

What more could be said of a brother than is expressed in the following words:

"At high twelve were committed to the tomb the remains of a past Deputy Grand Master of whom it can be truthfully said that he lived a pure and Christian life exemplifying daily the principles of Freemasonry, and who died in the hope of a blessed immortality."

The Second Emergent Communication was held for a like purpose that of conducting the funeral rites of the remains P. G. M. Bradner D. Slaughter.

The Annual Communication was held in Freemasons Hall, Omaha, being "regularly opened" at 9.30 A. M. June 8, 1909, with all grand officers present except the Grand Chaplain and representatives from two hundred and twenty-seven of the two hundred and forty-two chartered lodges in the jurisdiction.

Grand Master William A. DeBord in his address congratulates Grand Lodge on the great progress of the year closing, not only in numerical growth (total membership being 17,119) but in the higher standard attained by Masons of individual and Lodges. One third of the lodges own their own temples and many others are preparing to build.

Five new lodges were constituted and one dispensation issued during the year.

While the Grand Master had nothing to refer to Grand Lodge in the way of grievances, yet he submitted twenty-three decisions all of which were confirmed with slight amendments to three. No. 10 might be of interest to some of our lodges. "Smoking is not allowable in the lodge or preparation room".

In referring to the question of intoxicating liquors as a beverage, mention is made that during the year he had directed that charges be preferred against two brethren who were "tending bars in saloons".

On the matter of cipher rituals he takes a decided stand in opposition to them and refers to those making use of them as "erring brethren".

Making Masons at sight was dealt with very fully and while the Grand Lodge had at its annual session of 1897 decided that such was not within the powers of the Grand Master yet in his remarks Bro. DeBord agrees to differ asserting that it is a "landmark" and as such cannot be changed by resolution.

This part of the Grand Master's address was referred to a special committee who upheld him in the claim but Grand Lodge after several hours discussion extending "over three sessions decided that it was not a landmark" Bro. Mackey notwithstanding.

In conclusion the Grand Master lays special emphasis upon the word "service" as being typical of true Masonry.

"To enlighten our brethern, to serve our fellows, to relieve the distressed, to comfort and sustain the sorrowing widow and orphan, to assist in the enlightment and advancement of mankind and to take our full share in pointing humanity toward Almighty God, this is the mission of Masonry".

The Grand Secretary reports a balance of $21,423.54 in the hands of the Grand Treasurer.

The Grand Custodian reports fifty-one regular schools of instruction held, each lasting three days.

The oration delivered by Orator Albert W. Jefferis is of a very high order and if space permitted would be gladly quoted from although it is more for the "elect to the south of us" than for us.

During the session addresses were given on the following subjects: "How to secure and promote regular attendance and interest in the lodge" "The abuse of the black ball" "Lodge Finances" and several others.

The report on Foreign Correspondents occupies one hundred pages in which Nova Scotia for 1908 receives extended notice.

M. W. Bro. Michael Dowling, Omaha, Grand Master.

R. W. Bro. Francis E. White, Omaha, Grand Secretary.

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## NEVADA—1909.

A Special Communication of the Grand Lodge, at which the Grand Master, M. W. Bro. Charles L. Fulstone, presided, was held in Carson City on the 20th day of September, 1908, for the purpose of paying the last tribute of respect to the memory of Past Grand Master Philip A. Doyle, who died three days previously. At the close of the ceremonies, the Hon. H. F. Bartine, in behalf of the G. A. R., of which the deceased was an honoured and respected veteran, bade his old comrade farewell, paying him, we are told, "a tribute which caused many a tear-dimmed eye."

The Forty-Fifth Annual Communication was commenced on the 8th of June, A. D. 1909, in the City of Carson, the Grand Master being again on the throne. Besides a large attendance of present Grand Lodge officers, six Past Grand officers and a large number of delegates were in attendance.

After paying a tribute of respect to the deceased members of his own and other Jurisdictions, the Grand Master refers at length to the numerous visitations made by him, and expresses his pleasure in meeting the breteren in their home lodges and the good time he enjoyed.

Among recommendations the Grand Master approves the use in his Jurisdiction of either Mackey's or Sickle's Monitors. He thinks valuable time and money would be lost in compiling a new Monitor when such reliable works can easily be obtained.

The Grand Secretary reports "correct returns received from all the constituent Lodges, and all dues promptly paid," which is a great credit to these Subordinate Lodges, and one well worthy of imitation.

The work of exemplifying the third degree was performed in a very creditable manner by Carson Lodge, No. 1, during the Communication, the same being witnessed by a large attendance of members.

Upon the list of Grand Representatives being called we regret to learn Nova Scotia's was among the "missing."

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| Master Masons returned last year numbered all told.. | 1445 |
| Gained this year by raising 155; affiliation, 47; and by reinstatement, 8..... | 210 |
| | 1655 |
| Lost during the year: by demission, 26; death, 33; suspension, 21; expulsion, 2 ..... | 82 |
| Master Masons now on the roll (showing net gain of 128) | 1573 |

Grand Lodge receipts during the year the sum of $2,259.23

The report on Correspondence is by a committee of eight of which Brother Edward D. Vanderleith is called the "Grand Commissioner of Review." The work covers 107 pages, and reflects credit on the committee. Nova Scotia is not noticed, evidently not having been received in time.

M. W. Bro. Frank H. Norcross, Carson City, Grand Master.

R. W. Bro. C. N. Noteware, Carson City, Grand Secretary.

## NEW BRUNSWICK—1909.

At the Forty-second Annual Communication of the Grand Lodge of our sister province of New Brunswick, held at Freemason's Hall, in the City of Saint John, on the 24th day of August, A. D. 1909, A. L. 5908, M. W. Lieut.-Colonel John S. D. Chipman, Grand Master, presided. He was ably supported by four Past Grand Masters whom we note are called "Right Worshipful," they evidently losing the more imposing title of "Most Worshipful" when they cease to hold the Grand Master's Jewel and become "has beens." In Nova Scotia we like to and do honour our worthy P. G. Masters by allowing them to retain the full title with all the prestige the same affords. We note quite a large number of Representatives of sister Grand Lodges present, but the eye scanned the list in vain to find Nova Scotia's among the distinguished galaxy.

The Grand Master delivered a practical address in which he says:—

> "It is a pleasure to be able to report to you that Peace, Harmony and Brotherly Love prevail in all the Lodges in the Jurisdiction, and that the increasing interest and prosperity referred to in my last Communication have more than met my expectations."

The financial condition of Grand Lodge is reported better than ever, although the increase in membership is not large being only 89 for the year, thus making the total number of members 2,770.

Very feeling references are made in the Grand Master's address to the "dear departed," and tributes of worth assigned their memory.

A number of visitations were made; but not so many as the Grand Master had intended, enforced absence from the Jurisdiction being the cause.

In the Grand Secretary's short, but very satisfactory report, we learn that in the year 1908 annual returns were received from thirty-three out of the thirty-seven active Lodges on the register: that during the year 202 were initiated: 193 passed and 196 raised, that twenty-five dispensations were granted, all being either to confer degrees within the "time limit," or to attend Divine Service wearing regalia. The first class bad, the last all right. Many Grand Lodges are trying to curtail this railroading process of making Masons within the constitutional period, and it is about time.

A bran new set of regalia was ordered for Grand Lodge, the motion to that effect "Carried Unanimously." Now, won't our brethren shine?

The reports of the District Deputies are full and interesting.

No decisions reported. No Foreign Correspondence report.

M. W. Bro. Henry S. Bridges, Ph.D., Saint John, Grand Master.

R. W. Bro. J. Twining Hartt, Saint John, Grand Secretary.

## NEW HAMPSHIRE—1909.

Preceding the Semi-Annual Communication a Special was held at Whitefield on 10th June, 1908, for the purpose of dedicating the Masonic Hall. This being done in accordance with the usual rites and ceremonies, the brethren repaired to the town hall where most interesting exercises took place, among them being an oration delivered by Rev. Brother Albert W. Jefferson on "The Ancient Landmarks of the Craft." We wonder if the brother really found out what they were.

On 11th September following a second Special was held at Hanover, the object being to constitute the Lodge at that place and install the officers. A banquet followed which, evidently, was most enjoyable.

A third Special was held November 11th, 1909, at Berlin, to dedicate Sabatis Lodge, which was followed by an "elaborate banquet" served by the good ladies of the Eastern Star, and needless to say they did their work well.

The Semi-Annual Communication of the Grand Lodge of New Hampshire convened at Freemason's Hall in the City of Manchester, on the 29th day of December, 1908, with M. W. Bro. Frederick W. Sawyer, Grand Master, in the Grand East. A large gathering of the Craft was present, including some eleven Past Grand Masters and many Grand Representatives, but we fail to see the name of Nova Scotia's among the number. However, he was present at the Annual which sort of evens things up. Glad to see him there, as we always are, for being small, we like to be represented. The work of the first three degree of Masonry were exemplified by officers of different Lodges in the jurisdiction, their efforts

being much commended by the Grand Lodge officers and others.

The One Hundred and Twentieth Annual Communication was held in the City of Concord, on May 19th, 1909, the Grand Master presiding. The attendance was large and the greatest harmony and best of feeling prevailed.

The Grand Master delivered a most interesting address, and alluding to the progress of Freemasonry, of which he is justly proud, has this to say:—

"Today marks the completion of the One Hundred and Twentieth fiscal year in the history of the Grand Lodge of New Hampshire, and therefore it is proper for us to glory somewhat in that dignity which age imparts. For a century and twenty years the beautiful principles, precepts and teachings of Masonry have been upheld, perpetuated and extended by this Grand Lodge in the Jurisdiction of New Hampshire, and we, the Masons of the present generation, look back with feelings of just pride upon its splendid record."

In touching language the Head of the Craft refers to those dear brethren who have "Crossed the Bar," but whose memories will never be forgotten. Their voices may be stilled, but their examples will live forever.

Under the heading "Relations with other Grand Jurisdictions," the Grand Master says:—

"I have had the distinguished honor of meeting and becoming personally acquainted with Grand Masters Smith of Nova Scotia, Blake and Flanders of Massachusetts, Orlady of Pennsylvania, Michie of South Carolina, Sawyer of New York, Shryock of Maryland, who has been Grand Master for twenty-three consecutive years, Eggleston of Virginia, Gattis of North Carolina, Day of Delaware, Wolfskeil of Jersey, Fuller of Connecticut, Mallett of Maine, Chatterton of Rhode Island and Tillotson of Vermont and to each of these honored brothers I, today standing within the sacred precincts of my own Grand Lodge, offer a tribute of fraternal affection, and in behalf of the Grand Lodge of New Hampshire express our sincere hope that peace and prosperity may rest upon them and the Jurisdictions they represent."

It was at the 175th Anniversary of St. John's Lodge, Boston, that Grand Master Sawyer met our then Grand Master Smith in common with the other Grand Masters above-mentioned. It was also the good fortune of the writer to be present, but not in an official capacity, on that historic occasion and to have the extreme pleasure of meeting the bright, cheery, capable Grand Master of New Hampshire. And although Grand Master Smith is now out of office, we feel sure we can reciprocate both on his behalf and on behalf of the Grand Lodge of Nova Scotia, the good wishes so well and fraternally expressed by M. W. Brother Sawyer. He is the kind of man whom to meet is to respect, and we should judge to know intimately is to love, hence the hold he has upon the hearts of the New Hampshire brethren.

The Masonic Home at Manchester comes in for a well-deserved meed of praise, and the work of the Board of Trustees is favourably commented on. At present there are eighteen inmates, eleven men and seven women, and the Grand Master says, "I cannot conceive how anything more could be done for their comfort and happiness than is accomplished by the able and efficient matron, Mrs. Burbeck." These are institutions of which we all feel proud, and are doing noble work along true Masonic lines.

We have looked in vain for a report from the Grand Secretary, but the reports from the District Deputy Grand Masters as well as those of the District Deputy Grand Lecturers are decidedly interesting and afford ample evidence of good work well and faithfully performed.

M. W. Bro. Harry M. Cheney, P. G. M. commences his presentation of the Foreign Correspondence report by saying that "Fate and the insistence of the Grand Master has com-

pelled me to write, for the first time, the report which follows." May we hope that Fate will still continue to direct and the Grand Master to insist for Bro. Cheney does his work well and presents a most readable and interesting synopsis of the doings of the other Grand Bodies. In a report of 197 pages he reviews with ability, and selects with care, the salient points of interest coming before the different Grand Lodges which makes his efforts successful and eminently satisfactory. Nova Scotia for 1908 is fraternally noticed and our work favourably considered, for which we return "thanks."

M. W. Bro. Frederick W. Sawyer, Milford, Grand Master.

R. W. Bro. Frank D. Woodbury, Concord, Grand Secretary.

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## NEW JERSEY—1910.

Prior to the Annual Communication nine Emergency Meetings of Grand Lodge were held. Of these five were for the purpose of laying Corner Stones of Schools and other Public Buildings: two for constituting lodges, and installing officers: one for the purpose of attending the funeral of a deceased brother, while another, making the ninth, was to conduct the Masonic services at the unveiling of a new tablet over the grave of M. W. Brother Aaron Dickinson Woodruff, Past Grand Master, at the City of Trenton.

At the Annual Communication, which was held on April 20th, and 21st in Trenton, M. W. Bro. J. Clarence Conover, Grand Master, presided. There was a very large attendance of the Craft which included twelve Past Grand Masters together with many Grand Representatives among whom we

are pleased to note R. W. Bro. Alfred P. Mayhew for the Grand Lodge of Nova Scotia.

The Grand Master delivered an admirable address touching on many points of interest which had arisen in his jurisdiction during his tenure of office. In reviewing the past year's work he pertinently asks,—

"How much better than heretofore have we performed the great duties which, as Masons, we are charged to inculcate to God, to our neighbour and and to ourselves?

"How have we impressed on mankind the lessons of the cardinal virtues of temperance, fortitude, prudence and justice, or brotherly love, relief and truth, which are kept constantly before us in the open Bible upon our altar?

"Have we helped the needy and the orphan and smoothed the pillow of suffering and death?

"How have we fought the great hindering forces which are constantly retarding the growth of our splendid institution?"

These are very pertinent questions not only to the Masons of New Jersey but to the brotherhood at large, and such as every member of the Fraternity could well take to heart and answer for himself. And while the Grand Master, in answering these questions, does not think the brethern have come up to the full standard nevertheless he breathes a feeling of hopefulness and justly states the power of the Fraternity for good is great, and the weapons of Masonry, against wrong, are powerful.

As to relations with other Grand Jurisdictions the Grand Master is happy to report that "We are not only at peace with all the world but happy in our fraternal fellowship, with only two unfortunate exceptions, namely Mississippi and Oklahama".

May we trust that these differences will soon be healed and that the now existing troubles will flee like the mist before the morning sun.

Dispensations for the formation of two new lodges were granted, and many and pleasant visitations are reported productive, no doubt, of much good.

Canvassing for office is very properly condemned, the Grand Master in that connection quoting the remarks of his predecessor, M. W. Brother Walter Chandler, Past Grand Master, who, in his address in 1906, said,—

> "The publication and distribution of printed circulars advocating the election of any brother is so contrary to the spirit of Masonry and the traditions of the Craft that the practice should be and is absolutely forbidden."

And it goes without saying that such a true and correct Masonic Ruling was approved by Grand Lodge and became the law of the jurisdiction.

Fortunately it is a good many years since the Grand Lodge of our Province has been bothered about this "Electioneering", and our hope is it is crushed out forever. It is unmanly: it is certainly unmasonic.

Among the distinguished visitors to Grand Lodge were M. W. Edward B. Mode, Grand Master of Delaware, and M. W. Thomas J. Day, Past Grand Master, also of the same jurisdiction, with R. W. Bro. William L. Andrews, Deputy Grand Master of the State of Virginia, all of whom received a most cordial welcome.

Overtures were received from the Grand Lodges of Nicaragua, San Salvidor and Dominica asking for recognition, but the opinion of the Grand Master that it was "inexpedient" (which is a mighty good word) to extend formal recognition was concurred in, which meets our hearty approval.

The Grand Secretary complains that four lodges failed to send in returns in time, but reports Membership, January

1st, 1909: 29,927, and on January 1st, 1910 as 31,424, showing a net increase for the year of 1,497.

Brother Robert A. Shirrefs, Chairman, presented the report on Foreign Correspondence. It covers 146 pages and deals in a fair and fraternal manner with the proceedings of some sixty two English speaking and nine German Grand Lodges, the reviewing showing care and ability. Nova Scotia is pleasantly mentioned, the Reviewer being good enough to refer to our work as "highly creditable". For which we returns thanks and say "ditto", brother.

M. W. Bro. Allton H. Sherman, Orange, Grand Master.

M. W. Bro. Benjamin F. Wakefield, Trenton, Grand Secretary.

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## NEW MEXICO.—1909.

Prior to the holding of the Annual Communication a large number of Special and Emergent meetings of Grand Lodge were held for the purpose of dedicating lodges, installing officers and laying corner stones, all of which are reported in the proceedings.

The Thirty-second Annual Communication of the Grand Lodge of New Mexico was held in the City of Albuquerque, on the 18th day of October, 1909, M. W. Bro. Chester D. Stevens, Grand Master, presiding. Ten Past Grand Master with a large number of other Past and Present Grand Officers responded to roll call, and a most harmonious communication was held.

The Grand Master in his very pleasing address gives a full and most comprehensive resume of his work, his official acts and his rulings during the year. Referring to the latter of which he reports no less than thirty-eight, a few may be

of general interest. He decided that notwithstanding the report of Investigating Committee was "unfavourable" the petition must go to the ballot. This is in exact conformity with our Masonic law but, nevertheless, like the canny scot, we "have our dubts." It is hard to conceive that the committee would say ye "Nay" in their report, and then say ye "Yea" at the ballot. But enough said, we leave it to some one better able to judge whether it is not a kind of farce taking a ballot in the face of an unfavourable report from the committee.

Again the Grand Master decided that a Fellow Craft against whom charges were brought was entitled to a trial. Quite so. But if we read his ruling aright he also decided that the trial MUST take place in a Master Mason's Lodge. Well, how about the poor Fellow Craft getting into that lodge. We don't know but possibly he might be made a Master Mason "At Sight," and thereby the difficulty obviated. Then he could be present at his own trial, which is quite important even from a Masonic stand point.

Another deci-ion is to the effect that an objection taken after initiation does not debar the candidate from advancement, unless sustained by a majority vote of the lodge. the Grand Master ruling that the Brother objected to has a right to a hearing in his own defence. Well, possibly so, but the way the ruling stands would make it appear as if the brother objected to, and not the objecting brother has the big end of the stick in the jurisdiction of New Mexico.

A number of decisions are given in reference to the vexed question of "physical qualifications" of candidates to which little objection can be taken, at least not in our ur isdiction and under our decisions.

Many visitations are reported and many invitations had to be declined, the former of which the Grand Master most heartily enjoyed, the latter he regretted his inability to accept.

A committee on "Masonic Home Site" was appointed but as it was given three years to report nothing was said or done. Too long for any committee to report, for if they are not all dead by that time, ten to one they will either grow weary in well-doing or loose interest in their important duties altogether. An important matter like this, and considering the money on hand for this noble purpose, should not be allowed to sleep for three years, no, not even in New Mexico, so the brethren should get a "hustle" on.

The Grand Treasurer reports $3,970.55 as receipts for the year while it appears there is some $6,566 40, on hand for Masonic Home Fund, a little more than our "Home" and site cost us, but we didn't delay any three years. The Grand Secretary tells us that on the 31st. August, 1908, their membership was 2128, whereas one year later it had jumped to 2381, showing a net gain of 253 members, and prospects for the future bright.

The report of the Grand Lecturer is very full and very interesting and gives evidence of good work well and faithfully performed.

A very interesting ceremony was the presentation to M. W. Brother Alpheus A. Keen of a beautiful Silver Service upon the completion by him of twenty-five years of faithful service as Grand Secretary, and also as proof of the affection and esteem of his brethren of Grand Lodge. We congratulate our worthy Brother Scribe and express the hope that he will live to be presented with a golden service on the fiftieth

anniversary of his holding the important office he now occupies, and the duties of which he discharges so admirably.

The Correspondence report is presented by Brother James H. Wroth, and is interesting reading. What he has to say, and he says it well, covers some 140 pages, and in a highly creditable manner he reviews the proceedings of the Sister Grand Lodges. Nova Scotia for 1908 gets a scant page notice, the most of that being taken up reproducing the decisions of our then Grand Master Smith, but without comment.

M. W. Bro. Frank Johnson, San Marcial, Grand Master.

R. W. Bro. Alpheus A. Keen, Albuquerque, Grand Secretary.

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## NEW SOUTH WALES.—1909.

On perusing the Twenty-First Annual Report of the United Grand Lodge of Wales we find that two Special Communications were held, the first on the 21st day of July, 1908, and the second on the 8th day of June, 1909, while Quarterlies were held on the 9th, September and 9th December, 1908, and 10th March and 9th June, 1909.

The total number of Lodges in active work is 223: subscribing members, 13,768; showing an increase of 1,198 during the year. The Grand Lodge Fund was increased by £1,121, and now stands at £6,165: The Benevolent Fund is £15,415, having been increased £1,153 during the year; the Freemasons' Orphan Fund also shows an increase of £839, making it £29,417, while the Freemasons' Benevolent Institution is now up to £11,235, or an increase of £1,235. All this is grand and shows noble work on the solid basis of true Masonry.

At the first Special of July 21st, 1908, His Excellency M. W. Bro. Admiral Sir Harry Holdsworth Rawson, G. C. B., having been previously elected for the fourth term of office, was duly proclaimed Grand Master by the Director of Ceremonies. The Grand Master delivered a most eloquent and touching address. Among other things, when expressing his appreciation of the high honour again conferred, His Excellency said :—

"I can assure you that this mark of confidence which you have bestowed on me is one that, when I come to relinquish the Governorship of New South Wales, as I shall shortly do, and retire into private life, will live in my memory : and I shall consider it one of the greatest honors that has come to me in Australia to have been elected as your Grand Master, and to have been re-elected for the fourth time to this exalted office. (Applause)."

And in reference to the state of the Order in his jurisdiction the Grand Master added,—

"I am glad to know that Freemasonry is spreading in New South Wales, as I know full well from the number of Master Masons certificates I have to sign There has also been an increase of new Lodges and the dedication of new buildings for Lodge meetings. There is still another sign namely, that Lodges are going forward with the erection of temples of their own."

R. W. Bro. H. Montgomerie-Hamilton was appointed Deputy Grand Master by the M. W. the Grand Master and was duly obligated and invested after which the other Grand Lodge Officers were duly invested and presented with the jewels of their respective offices. Following their usual custom in this Grand Lodge the Representatives of Sister Grand Jurisdictions were presented to the Grand Master and we are pleased to note that R. W. Bro. Donelly Fisher was present to do the honours, or perhaps it would be better to say, to receive the honours for Nova Scotia.

At the Quarterly in September the first business was the unveiling by the Grand Master of a Memorial Tablet to the memory of late Past Grand Master M. W. Bro. Lieutenant Colonel John Cochrane Remington, and in connection with this interesting ceremony a short reference was made to the career of the late distinguished Brother, the Grand Master beautifully saying :—

"He was brave and strong. He loved the right for right's sake, and he was firm, loyal and steadfast in his actions. He was an affectionate husband, and a devoted and tender father. The United Grand Lodge of New South Wales, recognizing how much Freemasonry in this State owes to the late Lieutenant-Colonel John Cochrane Remington have dedicated this tablet, which I now unveil to keep his memory alive, in the annals of our Grand Lodge."

The Grand Master reported 48 dispensations granted since his installation in July, more than half, or 26 being for permission to wear regalia on different Masonic occasions.

Here, as in many other jurisdictions the work, or a large part of it, is done by the Board of General Purposes, who carefully consider everything brought before them and then in a full, complete and careful manner report to Grand Lodge. In addition reports were presented at these different communications from the charitable boards which are full of interest and show the large amount of money raised and expended in this Grand Jurisdiction for the assistance of the Craft and for the betterment of their fellow men. A grand work in grand and noble hands.

Reports from the various District Deputies were presented at these Quarterlies, showing good and faithful work and close attention to duty.

As the Grand Master was leaving New South Wales, his term of office as Governor having expired, at the Quarterly meeting in March, 1910, a magnificent Loving Cup was presented to His Excellency, the presentation being made by the Deputy Grand Master. Besides an inspiring address by this official remarks of a high order were made by R. W. Bro. Frank Smith and R. W. Bro. W. C. Shipway, P. D. G. M., all speaking in the highest terms of the good work done by the Grand Master and the interest taken by him in Freemasonry during his stay amongst them. The Grand Master, who was much affected, made a most feeling reply, and concluded by wishing all the Freemasons in the State every happiness and every prosperity. There is no doubt that our Sister Grand Jurisdiction has met with a distinct loss in the removal of Admiral Rawson and that his impress for good not only among the brotherhood but in the State at large will long be felt and cherished. "So mote it be."

Bro. Thos. Lees Rowbotham, Chairman, presents the report on Foreign Correspondence, and without wasting any words he reviews in a most creditable manner the proceedings of the Sister Grand Jurisdictions. Nova Scotia for 1908 receives fraternal notice, the reviewer being good enough to say :—

"It is evident that our brethren in far off Nova Scotia are keeping the Masonic lamp trimmed and brightly burning."

R. W. Arthur H. Bray, Sydney, N. S. W., Grand Secretary.

## NEW YORK—1910.

As a frontispiece to this year's proceedings of the M. W. Grand Lodge of New York appear pictures of John Studholme Brownrigg, Senior Grand Warden 1781-2-3, and John Wells, Grand Secretary 1805-1816. Both fine faces indicative of kindness, ability and firmness.

The One Hundred and Twenty-ninth Annual Communication of the Grand Lodge opened in the Grand Lodge Room, Masonic Temple, New York City on the 3rd day of May, A. D. 1910, M. W. S. Nelson Sawyer on the throne. As might be expected in such a prosperous jurisdiction there was a very large attendance of the Craft including many Representatives of other Grand Lodges, R. W. Bro. William J. Madden, for Nova Scotia, being among the number.

M. W. Bro. Austin H. MacGregor, Past Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of New Jersey, visited Grand Lodge and was cordially welcomed.

The Grand Master delivered an excellent address in which he reviews with care and ability the points of interest which have arisen in his jurisdiction during the year. The Fraternal Dead are referred to in words of sympathy and and with feelings of tenderest respect. For such a large jurisdiction very few dispensations were granted, the number mentioned by the Grand Master only being fifty four and a majority of these being to install officers. Many interesting Masonic ceremonies are mentioned a number of which were dedicating Masonic Temples and Lodge Rooms. The Grand Master makes some timely remarks in reference to the high and important position of Grand Representatives saying :

"In theory the system is founded in the same reason that leads governments to exchange Ambassadors and Ministers, and like these functionaries, the Grand Representative is the officer of the Grand Lodge whose commission he bears, and not of that to which he is accredited".

He also points out that while these positions are much sought their importance is often overlooked, and he recommends that HEREAFTER these officials be appointed for a fixed term say, of three or five years.

In Nova Scotia, while the appointments are not for any definite period, should the Representative fail to attend without good cause three successive Annual Communications of Grand Lodge his commission is forfeited thereby. A wholesome provision and one that works well. Dispensations for the formation of eleven new lodges were granted during the year, many of which were in and about the City of New York where so many lodges already exist. A new and beautiful Chapel in connection with the "Home" is being built at Utica, the corner stone of which was laid on the 16th day of April, 1910 with most impressive ceremonies. When finished the Chapel will cost about $25,000 of which amount the Grand Master is happy to state—as well he might be—that some $22,000 has already been received. This will be a great addition to the beautiful "Masonic Home" of which our New York brethren are so justly proud, and at the same time will fill a long felt want.

The Grand Secretary, M. W. Bro. Edward M. L. Ehlers, presents a short report, but every word tells. From it we reproduce the following interesting information,—

Amount received from all sources for year 1609...$202,217.72
Number of lodges in the jurisdiction.....791
" " that have made returns.....791
" " " paid dues to date...790

Certainly that is a record of which any jurisdiction should be proud and which a Grand Secretary loves to record.

Number of Masons per last report 158,101: Now the number is 163,341.

Very interesting reference is made to The German Masonic Temple Association at Tappan, the new home of which was dedicated on the 30th day of June, 1909, and at which the Grand Master says "The families and friends of our Brethern of the Ninth Masonic District were present in great numbers, several thousand persons being present to give eclat to the occasion. He also dedicated the Brooklyn Temple, and says: Their stately building is now complete in all its appointments, and accommodates a very large number of the Masonic bodies of that thriving borough."

Before closing Grand Lodge was presented with a beautiful bust in marble of that excellent man and superior official, M. W. Bro. Colonel Edward M. L. Ehlers, Grand Secretary. In January last our distinguished Brother celebrated his seventieth birth-day, and as this year commemorates his twenty-ninth year as Grand Secretary the presentation was made at this time. We extend our heartiest felicitations to our Worthy Brother Scribe, and at the same time congratulate the Grand Lodge of New York upon having such a good and faithful official. Long may he live to adorn the post he occupies.

The report of the Foreign Correspondence Committee is presented by R. W. Brother John W. Jenkins. It is a very admirable production and deals in an excellent manner with the proceedings of the Sister Grand Lodges.

Nova Scotia for 1909 receives fraternal and liberal treatment at the hands of the committee who say "Masonry is

pursuing the even tenor of "its way in this little "North East Corner" of Nova Scotia, and everything is moving along smoothly and harmoniously. While not as big as some of her sister jurisdictions, she still maintains the honor and dignity of the Fraternity and is a credit to the Craft." While returning thanks to our big Brother, New York, we want to say that not only in the "North East Corner" but in the East, West and South, yea even in the darkened North of our fair Province Freemasonry is making good, and its beneficial influence is felt from one end of the jurisdiction to the other.

Now, even at the risk of being charged with not possessing that degree of modesty usually found in Grand Lodge Correspondents we reproduce the kind words of our Brother in reference to ourselves. He says :—

"Report on correspondence, written by the Grand Secretary, R. W, Brother Thomas Mowbray. It is an excellent report in every way and reflects great credit on the author".

While expressing pleasure at these too flattering remarks we must express regret at our inability to review the proceedings of the big and important Grand Lodge of New York the way we would like. With their many Masonic institutions, all doing noble work, and other varied interests it is quite impossible, in a limited space, to do anything like justice which we deplore but cannot prevent. That the Grand Lodge of New York is doing excellent work we all know and appreciate and our wish is their prosperity will long continue.

M. W. Bro. Robert Judson Kenworthy, New York, Grand Master.

M. W. Bro. Edward M. L. Ehlers, New York, Grand Secretary.

## NORTH CAROLINA—1910.

Upon opening the proceedings of the M. W. Grand Lodge of North Carolina for 1910 we greet the new Grand Master, M. W. Bro. Richard N. Hackett, whose portrait adorns the fly page, and a fine looking portrait it is.

North Carolina is getting to be an old Grand Lodge its One Hundred and Twenty-third birth day being celebrated on the 11th. day of January, 1910, when the Annual Communication was opened in Ample Form with M. W. Bro. Samuel M. Gattis, Grand Master, in the Grand East. A large attendance greeted the Grand Master, among the many being R. W. Brother Thomas S. Kenan, Grand Representative for the Grand Lodge of Nova Scotia.

In opening his fine address the Grand Master, after refering to the pains and pleasures of the past year, says,—

"The true Free Mason is an optimist. His mission is to spread the doctrines of liberty, equality and fraternity", and he goes on to add that "During the past twelve months, great strides have been made in the dissemination and application of these doctrines".

He is also pleased to report that "the growth of our Order in this Grand Jurisdiction during the past year has been marvelous "quoting the remarks of one of his distinguished predecessors who said "The blessings of heaven seem literally to have rested upon us during the past year".

Paying a touching tribute to the "Fraternal Dead", the Grand Master announces that "Death, the leveller, has been busy since we last met. The roll of our dead is long. Many throughout our own Grand Jurisdiction have gone to swell

"The innumerable caravan that moves
To the pale realms of shade where each shall take
His chamber in the silent halls of death".

Among the decisions reported are the following,—

That a candidate must swear on the Holy Bible: he could not affirm.

That the Grand Master knew no law, Masonic or civil, to prevent a non-affiliate's brother placing the Square and Compass on the gravestone of the non-affiliate.

That when a member applied for and was granted his demit he had no further right to sit and vote in the Lodge.

Gambling is a Masonic offense (Andrew's Digest, No. 433).

Words of congratulation are uttered in respect to the new Masonic Temple, now in use for one year, and also to the Orphan Asylum of which the Grand Master says " This institution is dear to the Masons of the State".

Commendation is expressed at the work of the "Order of the Eastern Star", and hopes are entertained that the building of a " Masonic Home " will not not much longer be delayed.

The Grand Master was honoured with an invitation to be present at the making of President Taft a Mason " at sight", but did not attend for the reason that his Grand Lodge has incorporated the following provisions in its bye-laws, namely:—

"SEC. 7. (1) This Grand Lodge does not recognize any other mode of making Masons than the one sanctioned by the immemorial usage of the Craft, namely " In a regular lodge " after " previous notice and due enquiry into character.

2. This Grand Lodge does not recognize any inherent rights or power, or prerogative in Grand Masters, to make Masons at sight or will out of a regular lodge : and regards the exercise of such power not only as arbitrary, but in violation of the plain and unmistakeable provisions of the ancient charges and constitution of Masonry".

We are prone to admit we are not at all in love with this making Masons " At sight " whether practised in the United

States, Great Britain or elsewhere, the old way is good enough for us. But are not the regulations above mentioned rather a slap at one of the Ancient Land Marks, which gives the power to Grand Masters to make Masons "At sight"? Again, suppose Brother Taft should attempt to visit one of the lodges in North Carolina would he be received? This question is worthy of consideration for certainly according to the Masonic Law in that State he is not a Mason, and cannot be received as such. At least, with respect, that is the way we look at it.

According to the Grand Secretary's report we learn that dispensations were issued for the formation of twenty new lodges during the year: that the number of lodges in the jurisdiction (not counting those under dispensation) is 375, and that there was on October 31st, 1909, 20,014 Master Masons members of the order. We also find that since the year 1905 there has been an increase in membership of over 100 per cent.

The Grand Orator, Bro. J. B. Carlyle, delivered an eloquent oration on "Light and Love—The Fundamentals of Masonry", which was ordered to be printed in the proceedings of Grand Lodge which was done.

The report on correspondence is by Bro. John A. Collins for the committee, it being his fourteenth. In a concise and most interesting manner the proceedings of sixty one English speaking Grand Lodges are reviewed. Nova Scotia for 1908 is fraternally mentioned the Reviewer quoting from Grand Master Smith's address at length, and apparently with approval. His remarks on unpaid dues of Subordinate Lodges is considered "so important" they are reproduced in full.

M.W. Bro. Richard N. Hackett, Wilkesboro, Grand Master.
R. W. Bro. John C. Drewry, Raleigh, Grand Secretary

## NORTH DAKOTA—1909.

A portrait of M. W. Sylvester J. Hill, Grand Master, 1908-9, adorns the first page of the Proceedings of the Twentieth Annual Communication of the Grand Lodge of North Dakota, which opened at the City of Grand Forks on the 22nd day of June, A. D. 1909. The highest compliment we can pay the Grand Master, so far as appearances go and judging from his picture, is that he very much resembles the present Junior Grand Warden of the Grand Lodge of Nova Scotia, R. W. Brother Soper, one of our biggest Masons both in size and heart, and a good looker as well. After the Grand Secretary had reported a constitutional number of Lodges represented the Grand Master delivered his address. Commencing he asks this question, "What mean ye by these ceremonies,?" and answering his question from a Masonic standpoiut, the Grand Master proceeds :—

"It has been said that wherever a civilized community exists, there Freemasonry is to be found, shedding its benign influence and scattering its moral precepts, calling into action the intellectual powers of man, and teaching him his dependence on God, and his duties towards his fellows."

And the Grand Master adds :—

"And our own Jurisdiction has been no exception to this rule."

While thanks are given to the Great Ruler for his many mercies, the death of Past Grand Master George L. McGregor, Grand Auditor and Grand Lecturer is announced, and his life and work commended.

During the year dispensations were issued for the formation of four new Lodges, and seven Lodges were duly constituted under Charters granted at the previous Annual Communication of Grand Lodge.

Among Special Dispensations granted, we note the following which, with us, would be classed as "A Dispensation Extraordinary," namely :—

"On July 15th, 1908, I granted a dispensation to Tuscan Lodge, No. 44, to hold an Open Air Communication on Park Island, Lake Metagoshe, with authority to confer the M. M. on such F. C. of said Lopge as were entitled to the same."

Without further information we abstain from comment except to say the dispensation strikes us as peculiar, and brings to mind the ancient times when brethren met on the high hills or the deep valleys. Open air meetings.

One corner stone was laid, that of the new Court House in La Moure on the on the 19th day of June, 1909.

The Grand Secretary presented a very interesting as well as lengthy report : in fact it was about as long as the Grand Master's address. But notwithstanding its length it made very pleasant and profitable reading.

There are no decisions reported nor any Correspondence Report, but in place thereof M. W. Bro. James W. Foley. P. G. M., presents the Masonic Law as laid down by the Grand Masters and Grand Lodges of sister Grand Jurisdictions and in which Nova Scotia is freely and frequently quoted.

M. W. Bro. Halfdan Bendeke, Grand Forks, Grand Master.

R. W. Bro. Frank J. Thompson, Fargo, Grand Secretary.

## OHIO.—1909.

On the 20th day of October, 1909, in the hall of the Chamber of Commerce, Cleveland, Ohio, the Grand Lodge met at its One Hundredth Annual Communication, M. W. Bro. Charles S. Hoskinson, Grand Master, in the Grand East. A very cordial welcome to the City was extended by Bro. Harris R. Cooley, Director of Public Safety, who was followed in a most eloquent address by Bro. John J. Sullivan who spoke on behalf of the Masonic Fraternity. Among many other good things, Brother Sullivan said:—

"We are singing the song of hearty welcome to you, and we hope that the melody will be so sweet that you will carry the happy strains in your hearts forever.

We sing the praises of the fragrant flower, blushing before the smiling of the King of day: we voice the rich melody of the rippling waters as they tumble in rich crescendo towards the sea: we shout the wild glories of ocean's great refrain: we look inspired at diamond dew drops, shining like myriad pendants from the forest trees, but in their richness and their glory they compare not with the living of a noble Masonic life."

This is grand, and only one little "gem" from the Brother's eloquent and inspiring oration. To both of these well prepared and kindly welcomes the Grand Master responded in a brief but most appropriate reply.

After Grand Lodge had been opened in Ample Form the Grand Master delivered the Annual Address from the throne. After welcoming the brethren he explained that they were present "to plan and legislate for the welfare of the 514 Lodges, and the 75,976 Masons of the jurisdiction," and expressed the hope that "they might have a harmonious and happy session and accomplish much for the good of the Craft."

Under the head of the "Fraternal Dead" the Grand Master had to convey the sad intelligence that no less than 997 of the brethren, during the year, had been "called to the Lodge above," chief among whom was Past Grand Master William Moore Cunningham, who, after a brief illness, died on August 16th, 1909. He was not only the oldest Past Grand Master of Ohio, having been a distinguished member of the Craft for over fifty years, but for many years was Chairman of the Committee on Correspondence the duties of which important position he performed with signal tact and success. Fraternal mention is also made of the distinguished deceased of other jurisdictions, and the kindly word spoken as it was evidently meant.

During the year six dispensations for the formation of new lodges were granted and four, formerly working under dispensation, were duly constituted. Nine Corner Stones of Public Buildings were laid, and no less than fifteen Masonic Lodge rooms dedicated while visits almost innumerable were made and last but by no means least the Grand Master announced that on the 18th. day of February, 1909, in the presence of a large number of distinguished Masons, he exercised his prerogative as Grand Master, and made Bro. William Howard Taft, the present President of the United States, a Mason "at sight".

And taken altogether the Grand Master had a busy year, at the expiration of which he is happy to report that "our relations with Foreign Jurisdictions are most pleasant", and that they may ever continue to be such is the wish of all.

The Grand Secretary reported that on August 31st, 1908, the membership was 72,339. that during the year 4,828 were raised, 879 affiliated and 1,124 reinstated, giving a total of

79,170 while, from one cause and another, principally for N.P. D., 3194 members were lost. This gave the membership August 31st, 1909 as 75,976, a net gain during the year of 3,637. This is not too bad, but is it not deplorable that in a rich jurisdiction where they make Masons "at sight", such a large number as 1,048 should have to be suspended for non-payment of dues. But such was the case. No decisions are reported, hence the Grand Master was not bothered hunting up or finding out what the "other fellow" decided. Happy G. M.

A resolution somewhat out of the ordinary was submitted as follows:—

"Resolved, that the Worshipful Master of each and every lodge shall require every newly obligated Master Mason to commit to memory the test oath, and that the Worshipful Master, certify on the annual returns of his lodge, that this has been done, and that the Grand Secretary cause to be printed a blank certificate to that effect on the blanks sent out for annual returns."

The intention may be all right but it strikes us that it was no wonder the resolution was referred to the Committee on Ritual, or some other Committee, to report on at the next communication, for suppose the aforesaid Master Masons refuse to learn the "test oath", what then? Will the axiom "no wrong without a remedy: no breach without a penalty" apply? Go easy, brethren, in this arbitrary direction for Masonry does, or should lead, it does not drive. Anyway, we will await with interest the report of the Committee, and the action of Grand Lodge in the matter.

We don't know whether the Grand Lodge of Greece was recognized, as requested, or not. It was mentioned in the Grand Master's address, but evidently was lost sight of after-

wards. Probably it will "bob" up next year under the head of "unfinished business", or perhaps it has already got its "quietus."

The Centennial Anniversary of Grand Lodge was duly celebrated on the 21st day of October, 1908, and was a most delightful occasion as well it should have been. The attendance was large, and the exercises most impressive.

Part of the year's correspondence was by the late Reviewer, Brother Cunningham, whose work was always so well done and whose reviews were so interesting. This year the work was divided and Nova Scotia for 1908 is kindly mentioned and reviewed by the "new hand at the bellows." So far he does not criticise, only mentions what was done, but he does it well.

M. W. Grand Master, B. F. Perry, Junior, Jefferson.

R. W. Grand Secretary, J. H. Bromwell, Cincinatti.

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## STATE OF OKLAHOMA—1909.

The combined Proceedings of the Thirty-sixth Annual Communication of the Grand Lodge of Indian Territory, the Seventeenth Annual Communication of the Grand Lodge of Oklahoma Territory and the minutes of the Convention at which the two were consolidated into one, and the First Annual Communication of the Grand Lodge of the State of Oklahoma, A. F. & A. M., combine to make up a volume of 370 pages and one that is unique in Masonic history.

To do it justice if even only to touch upon the most important and the most interesting points would be to take many times the space which is at the disposal of the writer.

When we realize that these two Grand Lodges have been combined, and have started out to make history as one Grand Lodge, and that this union has been worked out and the start made without the least sign of friction, it speaks volumes for the "wise men" who were instrumental in accomplishing the task.

May the life of the new Grand Lodge be in keeping with its birth: may it grow and prosper, and may its members always be found working in harmony, striving for the betterment of mankind.

A very fine portrait of M. W. Bro. H. L. Muldrow, the last Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Indian Territory and the first Grand Master of the new Grand Lodge adorns the first page followed by a short sketch of his life, the closing paragraph which is as follows:—

"This Grand Master is a living, breathing example of what real Masonry is and teaches."

What higher compliment could be paid to him? And we can well believe that he richly deserves it.

Several other cuts are given: one of the last Grand Master of Oklahoma Grand Lodge, also one of the first Grand Master of of the same Grand Lodge, one of the Chairman and also of the Secretary of the Convention on Consolidation and of the Assistant Secretary as well.

## Indian Territory.

The last Communication of the M. W. Grand Lodge of Indian Territory, A. F. & A. M., was opened in Ample Form by M. W. Grand Master H. L. Muldrow, on February 9th, 1909, at McAlester, Oklahoma, with thirteen Past Grand Masters among the large number present.

The Grand Mastar in his address refers to the closing Communication in the following words:

"This day marks the beginning of the end, and is a day of mingled joys and griefs, bright anticipations of what is to be and sad regrets for what is to be no more. There are those of us who have been associated closely with the building of this Grand Lodge since its organization, who by untiring efforts, patience, energy and faithfulness, but above all by infinite fraternalism, have builded this Masonic edifice from the log cabin to the modern mansion, from the frontier dug-out to the house built by skilled hands and civilization's methods. Others of us have come into the work after many of the difficulties had been met and were overcome by those who bore the banner in the wilderness,"

Touching upon the history of this Grand Lodge he states that it was formed by the representatives of six Chartered Lodges who met in the Town of Caddo, Choctaw Nation, on October 5th, 1874.

At its Second Annual Communication six Chartered Lodges and two U. D. were represented. At the end of ten years they had a total of twenty-one Lodges since which time steady progress has been made, the total membership having grown from 60 in 1874 to 9,058 in 1909.

He refers in a very feeling manner to the fraternal dead, extending to "the bereaved families the heart-felt condolence and deepest love" of Grand Lodge.

No dispensations for new Lodges were granted, although several applications were made, the Grand Master feeling that they should be held over until the new Grand Lodge had been formed.

While condemning all irregular Scottish Rite Masons, he states that he cannot too highly commend the legitimate Scottish Rite Bodies:—

"I believe they as well as the higher Bodies of the York Rite have a great work to do and are doing it nobly. I fraternally urge all brethren who possibly can to take the 'higher degrees.'"

More light, brethren.

Many decisions were given, but none of special interest to us in this Jurisdiction except the two following:—

"1. A member of a Lodge in this Jurisdiction engages in the liquor business in Texas. His Lodge notifies him to sever his connection with such business. He refuses and applies for a demit, which is refused and charges preferred. What shall we do? Answer—Proceed with the trial as the law directs and do it now.

2. Is it lawful for a Warden to confer a degree if the Worshipful Master is present? Answer—Yes, or if he is absent.

Five Emergent Communications were held and eleven Lodges constituted.

The Grand Master reported having visited about forty Lodges and refers in complimentary terms to a "degree team" of young men and boys (what is the age limit of boys in this Jurisdiction?) which accompanied him on many of his visits. Altogether the report is clear and comprehensive and does not call for the apology which he so modestly makes.

On motion, the Grand Secretary was instructed to purchase a Grand Master's Jewel for the out-going Grand Master, the last Jewel to be presented by the Grand Lodge of Indian Territory.

The reports of the various Committees were presented, showing the Craft to be in a prosperous condition.

The Correspondence report does not review any of the Proceedings of other Jurisdictions.

The question as to whether the Grand Lodge of Indian Territory should be closed or called off was referred to the Committee on Law and Usage who reported that it should be closed, which was done in Ample Form.

## OKLAHOMA.

The Grand Lodge of Oklahoma A. F. & A. M. opened its seventeenth and last Annual Communication in Ample Form at Guthrie, February 9th, 1909, M. W. Bro. David D. Hoag in the Grand East.

The Grand Master in his address congratulates Grand Lodge on its "growth and prosperity" and expresses his strong feeling of appreciation to the brethern for the support and assistance so freely given him during the year.

Greater attention to "degree work" is urged as a means to hold the interest of the brethern.

Twelve Lodges granted Charters at the previous Communication were Constituted and no less than twenty dispensations issued to new Lodges.

Five Special Communications of Grand Lodge had been held during the year, three to lay corner-stones and two to Dedicate Masonic Temples.

Among the nineteen decisions none appear other than of local interest.

One Charter had been restored during the year.

Referring to the Masonic Home Fund the Grand Master reports that it now amounts to $47,698.00 invested in good securities, and that cash on hand and the per capita tax of this year will make up the amount to more than $50,000.00, the amount they had started to raise.

Congratulations to the Oklahoma Grand Lodge on her success.

The report of the Committee on Consolidation is included in the report, giving in detail the conditions on which the consolidation takes place.

In conclusion thanks is expressed to several of the brethern who had very greatly assisted in the labors of the year.

The Grand Secretary reports 172 Lodges with a total membership of 9455 and a balance of $9,982.86 in the Treasury.

A Committee was appointed to procure a suitable Jewel for all Past Grand Masters.

After selecting the names to be presented to the new Grand Lodge of the State of Oklahoma to fill the offices allotted to the membership of the Grand Lodge of Oklahoma Territory. Grand Lodge closed in Ample Form.

## Committee on Consolidation.

The Masons of the State of Oklahoma met in convention at Guthrie, Oklahoma, in the Masonic Temple on Wednesday, February 10th, 1909, M. W. Bro. Leo E. Bennett presiding in the Grand East and M. W. Bro. Joseph S. Murrow Secretary.

The Committee previously appointed submitted the proposed Constitution and By-laws as well as a uniform code of By-Laws for the government of all constitutent Lodges.

The election of officers followed when M. W. Bro. Henry Lowndes Muldrow was elected Grand Master. All the Grand Officers were elected without opposition, the candidates being

selected alternately from what had been the jurisdictions of the Grand Lodge of Indian Territory and the Grand Lodge of the Territory of Oklahoma.

The Convention then dissolved and the Grand Lodge of the State of Oklahoma was organized.

## State of Oklahoma.

The First Annual Communication of the New Grand Lodge opened and installed the officers.

One pecularity of this Grand Lodge is that it starts out with two Grand Secretaries.

On motion the two Gavels used in closing the Grand Lodge of Indian Territory and Oklahoma, as well as the one used in calling this Grand Lodge to order, were ordered to be suitably engraved and deposited in the Archives of the Grand Lodge of the State of Oklahoma.

A resolution to the effect "That this Grand Lodge will use its best efforts to induce the other Grand jurisdictions of the United States to take such steps as they may deem best towards the adoption of a form of work which will be universal in this country" was introduced and referred to the Committee on "Laws and Usage". This Committee reported adversely.

Grand Lodge was closed in Ample Form.

The Foreign Correspondence Committee report covers the proceedings of twenty-four Grand Lodges among which Nova Scotia is not found.

M. W. Bro. H. L. Muldrow, Tishomingo, Grand Master.

M. W. Bro. Wm. M. Anderson, Waurika, Grand Secretary.

M. W. Bro. Joseph S. Murrow, Atoka, Grand Secretary.

## OREGON—1909.

The Fifty-Ninth Annual Communication of the Grand Lodge of Oregon, was held in the Masonic Temple, at the city of Portland, on the 15th. day of June, 1909, M. W. Bro. Edward E. Kiddle, Grand Master, presiding. Twenty Past Grand Masters, certainly an excellent showing, one Past Grand Treasurer and Representatives of fifty sister Grand Jurisdictions were present, among the number being, we are pleased to note, R. W. Bro. Alex. Muirhead representing the Grand Lodge of Nova Scotia.

The Grand Master reported that,—

"It is with pleasure that I am able to report that there has been very little to mar the peace and harmony, of the Craft during my administration.

And again he says,—

"Masonry is revered by many for its antiquity, and while we are justly proud that the Order, can be traced back for ages in the far distant past, until lost in the myths of early tradition, we are still more proud of the fact, that it is the principle upon which the order is based, that has made it live for countless generations and weathered the storms of revolutions, rebellions and civil wars and conquests of all ages. Our statistics show we are enjoying a steady and substantial growth. During the last year I have issued four dispensations for new Lodges with several more in in prospect, and our Lodge membership has been incrersed by 548 members, making the total membership 9,232."

Under the head of Necrology, the deaths of two Past Grand officers are reported namely:—Past Grand Master Jacob Mayer and Past Grand Secretary I. W. Pratt, both good, noble and deserving members of the Fraternity.

Seven Lodges previously under dispensation were duly constituted and dedicated by the Grand Master or under his directions during the year.

The financial standing of this Grand Lodge is most excellent, there being over $30,000.00 in the general fund, while the Educational Fund, by the careful management of its trustees, now shows a face value of about $136,000.

Under the head of "Decisions," the Grand Master decided that two of the three members of an investigating committee could report, and the same could be acted upon by the Lodge.

In reference to conferring the M. M.'s degree, the Grand Master thought the whole ceremony should be gone through in each instance, the last as well as the first part, and that it is not regular according to the usage in his Jurisdiction, for the first part of the third degree to be conferred on, say, two candidates and then let them sit in the Lodge and witness the remaining part conferred on the third. However, he is not very decided in the matter, and says he understands the work is done in the manner he rather objects to, in some of the Eastern States. While Nova Scotia is not an Eastern State many of our Lodges do the same as they apparently do in conferring the latter part of the third degree. Many other decisions are reported, but being governed by the Constitution of the Grand Lodge, are not of general interest.

The Grand Secretary presents a full statistical table from which we learn that there are 118 Lodges in the Jurisdiction with a total membership of 9,232, and that there were 680 initiated during the year. He also adds that 115 of the 118 Lodges have done work, and 23 report a gain in membership, while nine report neither gain nor loss.

Bro. J. H. Ackerman, Grand Orator, delivered a very eloquent and most interesting address, brim full of good Masonic teaching and running over with Masonic history.

We regret that space prevents us reproducing some of the Grand Orator's "gems," as they were exceedingly fine.

A Special Committee was appointed to consider the advisability of establishing a "Masonic Home," and report at the next Annual Communication.

May we hope that the report will be favourable and that in the not distant future the Grand Lodge of Oregon will be in the procession in this good and commendable work.

Bro. John M. Hodson presents a very readable Correspondence report in which, in a most satisfactory manner, he reviews the Proceedings of some sixty Sister Grand Lodges. Nova Scotia for 1908, is very liberally and fraternally dealt with, but the reviewer intimates we don't criticize enough. Well, in that respect we follow in the line of Bro. Hodson, hence are in good company.

M. W. Bro. Morris R. Cox, Portland, Grand Master.

R. W. Bro. James F. Robinson, Portland, Grand Secretary.

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## PENNSYLVANIA—1909.

Another fine old picture adorns the Grand Lodge Proceedings of 1909, that of William Balls, R. W. Grand Master 1761-1782 and 1795.

At Philadelphia on the 3rd March, 1909, the first Quarterly for the year was held, R. W. Bro. George B. Orlady, Grand Master presiding. One hundred and eighty five Lodges were represented. Committee on bye-laws presented report which was adopted. Grand Secretary reported returns from all the lodges except one. Five hundred dollars were voted for the purpose of having a life size portrait of the late

R. W. Bro. J. Simpson Africa, P. G. M. painted and hung in a suitable place in the Masonic Temple. Thus is the memory of the noble deceased perpetuated in this Grand jurisdiction.

The second Quarterly was also held at Philadelphia on the 2nd day of June, 1909, with the Grand Master on the throne. One hundred and sixty three Lodges represented. Committee on appeals, of which there was a goodly number, reported and their report was adopted. A large number of the Grand Masters and Representatives of Grand Masters, who attended the conference of Grand Masters of the United States, east of Mississippi River, on the invitation of the Grand Master and Officers of Grand Lodge, were pleased to visit the Grand Lodge at this communication and received a most hearty reception. There were some sixteen of these distinguished brethern present.

On the 1st day of September, 1909, the third Quarterly was held with the R. W. Grand Master in the chair. One hundred and forty five Lodges represented. A large number of applications for various purposes were received, considered and dealt with. By the report of the Grand Secretary submitted at this communication we learn that there were 475 Lodges in this jurisdiction on the 27th day of December, 1908: that there were 777 admitted during the year, and 5,402 initiated and that the total membership on the date named, the 27th December, 1008, was 88,080, showing a net increase for the year 1908 of 3,747. The Finance committee reported and recommended that an extra appropriation of $2,000 for the expenses of the Grand Master be granted, which was done. That's the way to do things, and do them well.

An Emergent Communication was held at Pittsburgh on the 26th day of October, 1909, to pay the last token of respect, and perform the burial service of R. W. Past Grand Master James W. Brown who died at Pittsburgh on the 23rd day of October. A worthy brother has gone before, and his loss is mourned.

The fourth and last Quarterly was held on December 1st, 1909, at the beautiful Masonic Temple, Philadelphia, Grand Master Orlady presiding. Four hundred and forty-nine Lodges represented. This being the time for election of officers R. W. Brother George W. Guthrie was elected Grand Master, Grand Master Orlady having declined re-election. A large portion of the proceedings at this Quarterly are taken up with statements of the many, large and magnificent Charity Funds of this important jurisdiction, all of which are in a more than healthy state. The receipts of Grand Lodge for the year amounted to the large sum of $187,414.84, while the payments out were $120,570.05, leaving the substantial balance of $91,989.62 on hand. The Meeting of the Grand Masters before referred to, and their good work and many wise recommendations was brought up and on motion eleven of the recommendations were adopted.

The Annual Communication of Grand Lodge was held at Philadelphia on the 27th day of December, 1909, R. W. Bro. George Orlady, Grand Master presiding. Ninety-six subordinate lodges were represented. The committee on Masonic Homes presented a full and very comprehensive report which was adopted. The Grand Master delivered an excellent address, very interesting and, as usual full of Masonic information. Statistics, Charities, Schools of Instruction, Conference of the Grand Masters, the use of the

Black Ball, a sketch of Freemasonry in Pennsylvania from 1727 to 1907, and numerous decisions make an address of more than ordinary merit and well worthy of very careful perusal. From a long list of Decisions we glean the following:

"A non-resident of this Jurisdiction, who is a member of the lodge herein, is not eligible to hold office in his lodge".

Does this mean good enough to be a member but not good enough to be an officer.

"None but Masons may be present at a Masonic banquet".

This would cut out quite a lot with us who rather enjoy Masonic banquets.

"A summons for any purpose whatever must be signed in the PROPER HANDWRITING of the Master and of the Secretary, and must have the Seal of the Lodge attached".

We fear this is not always observed, at least not in Nova Scotia.

"I set aside the action of a Lodge in a case where the petitioner for initiation and membership gave an erroneous address. Whether it was an oversight, carelessness or an intention to deceive, is not material: it is essentially important that the correct address be given in order to facilitate the identification of a petitioner, and the investigation of his character".

Quite right and we thoroughly concur.

"I declared the office of a Master vacant, because of his having removed from the jurisdiction. By this action he does not become a Past Master of the Lodge or a member of Grand Lodge".

Quite different from our law, but then this may be the Masonic rule in Pennsylvania. Our idea was, and always has been, that once a Master was elected and became possessed

of the secrets of the Past Masters' degree he was, to all intents and purposes, and wherever he went, a Past Master.

After installation, proclamations and salutions the new Grand Master R. W. Brother George W. Guthrie, delivered a short address thanking the brethren for the honour conferred, and among other good things, said:—

"So, as Solomon, our first Grand Master prayed, so do I, for a "hearing heart", that hearing, I may use the powers committed to me for the best interests of the Fraternity, and render justice to all".

Grand Master Brother Guthrie is following a strong man. Judge Orlady made and left his impress for the good of the Craft not only in his own jurisdiction but far beyond it, and our only hope is that the work so well done by that distinguished member of the Fraternity will be seconded by his worthy successor. We admired Brother Orlady for his zeal, for his big-heartedness for his doing well whatever was worth doing at all, and our very best wishes go out to the Brother who follows him in the Grand East.

Brother Orlady was presented with a Grand Master's Jewel and Apron as well as with the Gavel which he had used during his administration as R. W. Grand Master, for which he expressed appreciation and thanks. The Signet Ring of the Grand Master was then transmitted to the new Head of the Craft.

The Correspondence report was submitted by R. W. Brother James Lamberton. In a full and decidedly interesting manner he reviews the Proceedings of the Sister Grand Lodges. Nova Scotia for 1908 receives kindly notice, the reviewer being good enough to say of our late Grand Master Smith's address that it "shows a skilled, careful and conser-

vative administrator," while, referring to our efforts, he remarks :—

"The report of Foreign Correspondence is by the committee, Grand Secretary Mowbray, who summarizes well and selects a few extracts from addresses, &c., for the information of his brethren."

Thanks, Brother Lamberton, your kindly remarks are appreciated.

R. W. Bro. George W. Guthrie, Philadelphia, Grand Master.

R. W. Bro. William A. Sinn, Philadelphia, Grand Secretary.

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## QUEBEC—1909.

The report of the proceedings of the 40th Annual Communication of the Grand Lodge of Quebec, A. F. & A. M., comes to hand in a volume of about 240 pages ; 143 pages being given to the report on Foreign Correspondence.

A very fine cut of the monument erected to the memory of M. W. Brother the late John Hamilton Graham, the first Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Quebec, adorns the first page.

This monument was unveiled on June 19th, 1909, when a special Communication of Grand Lodge was held for the purpose.

The 40th Annual Communication was held in the Masonic Temple in the City of Montreal on the 9th of February, 1910. Forty-three Past Grand Officers were present and the representatives of thirty-three other Grand Lodges. M. W. Brother B. Tooke the representative of Nova Scotia being among the number.

The Grand Master in his address refers to the difficulties under which the Craft labors in Quebec and points out the necessity of "greater faithfulness in, and loyalty to the Order" and also calls attention to the fact that the edict of non-intercourse with so-called Masonic Lodges holding Charters from the Grand Orient of France had never been revoked.

Suitable reference is made to the Fraternal Dead of his own and other jurisdictions. Among the former was R. W. Brother John P. Peavey, First Grand Junior Warden of the Grand Lodge of Quebec.

Among the dispensations granted was one "to confer the second and third degrees at one meeting" and another to "reballot on application for initiation".

The reason for the first is that "the Brother was called on to leave the jurisdiction" but why could the degrees not be conferred by a Lodge where he was to reside?

The latter would appear to be a bad precedent to establish but Grand Lodge sustained the Grand Master in this as well as all other decisions.

Among the many official visits made by the Grand Master was one on Oct 21st, 1909, to St. Lawrence Lodge, No. 14, a Lodge chartered by the Grand Lodge of England but which at that time with the consent of the Grand Lodge of England united with the Grand Lodge of Quebec.

Referring to Lodge work, the Grand Master called attention to certain Lodges which had failed to recognize that they should only use the "established ritual", and on their failure to comply with the resolution of Grand Lodge the W. M. of each Lodge was summoned to appear before Grand Lodge.

On inquiry by a Special Committee satisfactory reasons were given for past failure to comply with resolution and attention for the future.

A very eloquent and instructive address was given by the Grand Chaplain R. W. the Rev. Allan P. Shatford on "The Symbolism of Masonry" showing that while "Symbolism is necessary to the preservation of our faith yet it is the inner meaning that is the all-important thing". Bro. Shatford is an old Nova Scotia Mason having, at one time been our worthy Grand Chaplain.

The Committee on Finance reported "the assets of Grand Lodge now amount to $48,396.03".

The total membership 6,325, being an increase for the year of 282.

In the report on Foreign Correspondence Nova Scotia for 1900 is briefly referred to and without comment.

M. W. Bro. J. Alex Cameron, Montreal, Grand Master.

R. W. Bro. Will. H. Whyte, Montreal, Grand Secretary.

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## QUEENSLAND—1909.

The First Quarterly of the Grand Lodge of Queensland was opened by the Grand Master, Lord Chelmsford, in the Masonic Hall, Brisbane, on September 14th, 1908. The report of the Board of General Purposes, by which body the most of the Masonic business is considered, was submitted and adopted. With all due deference to that way of transacting business, we are of opinion that it is far better for Grand Lodge to deal with all Masonic matters directly. As we understand it, in this and many other Jurisdictions where these Boards exist, everything of importance is "cut and

dried" before being presented to Grand Lodge and then the action there taken is largely formal, the report and actions of the Board being, invariably, adopted. As a matter of course it is but right and just to say that by this method probably greater care and attention is given to the different matters submitted, and less danger of unwholesome legislation being enacted. All the same in our own Grand Lodge we have no Board of General Purposes and when any matter of importance comes up every brother is "up and dressed," as the saying is, and we have yet to learn of anything passing through slip-shod. Our way makes every brother think and act for himself, the other way, the Board of General Purposes way, enables the brethren to conclude others have thought and acted for him, hence, as a rule, less interest is taken. However, our good brethren of Queensland are evidently satisfied, and we do not think any reasoning of ours, with which, no doubt, they will not agree, will make them change their procedure. Fight everything out on the floors of Grand Lodge is our motto and the brethren will be much more interested accordingly.

R. W. Bro. William Jones who, for two years had held the office of D. G. Master, was, on motion of the Grand Master accorded the rank of Past Grand Master. The Grand Masters with us don't make motions, they put them.

It was announced that recognition had been granted by the Grand Lodges of Virginia and Wyoming. Somewhat tardy but better late than never. And it might just here be noted that the Grand Lodge of Nova Scotia was among the first to grant recognition to the Grand Lodge of our far off distant colony, a step for which at the time we were much criticized but never regretted.

Among the Grand Representatives presented to the M. W. Grand Master, we are pleased to note the name of M. W. Brother A. M. Hertzberg, P. G. M., representing Nova Scotia.

The next Quarterly was held on December 14th, 1908, His Excellency Lord Chelmsford, Grand Master, again presiding, and who reported recognition by the Grand Lodge of Washington. At this Communication the M. W. Grand Master delivered his annual address. He stated that since the last Annual Communication recognition had been granted by eleven more Grand Lodges; that duriug the same time the number of subordinate Lodges had increased from 52 to 54, and the membership was now 1,794 as against 1,594 a year ago, despite the fact that 123 had been called off, 14 died and 31 struck off during the year. He also reported that a start had been made with the Widow's and Orphan's and Aged Mason's Institution.

A Special was held on January 26th, 1909, at Toowomba, for the purpose of the Grand Master meeting the brethren of the Lodges on the Downs, which proved most enjoyable. The third degree was conferred in the presence of the Grand Master, who delivered a short address on the occasion.

The Third Quarterly was held on the 8th March, 1909, the Deputy Grand Master, M. W. Bro. Dr. W. S. Byrne, P. G. M., presiding. The Grand Lodges of Alberta, Chili, Cosmos, Brazil and El Salvador requested recognition, the first of which, Alberta, was granted, the others deferred. Reports from the Board of General Purposes and the Board of Benevolence received and adopted.

At the Special held on the 17th day of May, 1909, an address, accompanied with a Loving Cup, was presented the

Grand Master, Lord Chelmsford, regretting his departure from the State, and at the same time congratulating him upon his appointment as Governor of New South Wales, to which he made a most eloquent and feeling reply. At the Special held on the 7th of June, 1909, the resignation of His Excellency as Grand Master was received and most regretfully accepted.

The last Quarterly of the year was held in Freemason's Hall, Brisbane, on the 14th of June, 1909, Brother Byrne, D. G. M., presiding. After a number of reports had been received and Grand Representatives commissions presented, the election of officers took place, auditors appointed, collection taken up and Grand Lodge closed.

No Foreign Correspondence report, which we regret, but hope soon to have from this worthy and progressive body.

M. W. Bro. A. M. Hertzberg, Brisbane, Grand Master.

V. W. Bro. Chas. H. Harley, Brisbane, Grand Secretary.

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## SASKATCHEWAN.—1910.

A well executed picture of Rev. W. B. Tate, Grand Master of Masons of Saskatchewan, 1910–11, robed in the handsome regalia of his office, forms a very fitting frontispiece to the proceedings of this jurisdiction.

A Special Communication was held at Maple Creek on the 27th July, 1909, for the purpose of laying the corner stone of the Anglican Church in that town. The report says :—

"The brethren having received the necessary instructions the Grand Lodge was 'called off' and a procession formed .....which marched to the site of the Church."

Are we to understand from the above that the Craft were called from labour to refreshment and the stone laid during the hours of refreshment. If so it strikes us as something new, and quite a Masonic innovation, but we may be entirely wrong as to what was really done, and when and how done. However, let that be as it may the ceremony appears to have been most enjoyable ending with an automabile ride and dinner.

The Fourth Annual Communication was held in the Masonic Hall, Saskatoon, on the 15th day of June, 1910, the Grand Master, M. W. Bro. Harold Jagger, presiding. Four Past Grand Masters were also present, not too bad for such a young jurisdiction. A communication was read announcing that M. W. Bro. H. H. Campkin, P. G. M., of Saskatchewan, had been elected an honorary member of the Grand Lodge of Manitoba with the rank of Honorary Past Grand Master. This was a nice and a deserving compliment to the distinguished brother and no wonder the announcement was greeted with applause.

The Grand Master in a well prepared address announced that they now have 53 chartered Lodges and 23 working under dispensation, a total of 76 Lodges. At the meeting of Grand Lodge last year the membership was 2,336, whereas in June, 1910, it had increased to 3.300 with favourable prospects. No official rulings are reported and harmony and good feeling prevails.

The Grand Master reports that, without his leave or license: in fact without his being officially consulted in the matter, Chapters of the Order of the Eastern Star have been organized in the jurisdiction. A few years ago, and when there was some move to start this Order in Nova Scotia, our

Grand Master was consulted but did not see his way clear to recommend its introduction. However, the Grand Master of Saskatchewan is satisfied saying:—

"My own view is, after careful consideration, that the Order is worthy of our countenance as Freemasons".

And no doubt it is, for just here we might explain that it was not on account of the Order not being deemed worthy that it was "turned down" in Nova Scotia but solely because of the many calls on the Masonic purse our then Grand Master felt the jurisdiction could not afford it. But then we have not the rolling prairies, the vast wheat fields, the illimitable resources of our Sister Province, so enough said. Our only hope is that this grand organization, consisting as it does "of ladies who are related by ties of blood to Freemasons", may be of great and enduring benefit, and may shed forth its light for the good of the Craft of our great Western Province.

The Grand Lodge Representatives near this Grand Lodge were duly received and honoured according to their rank, and among them we are pleased to note M. W. Bro. C. O. Davidson, P. G. M., representing "the Province by the Sea", the front door of Canada.

In 127 pages Bro. A. S. Gorrell presents the report of the Committee on Foreign Correspondence and in a very fair and most creditable manner reviews the proceedings of some fifty-five Sister Grand Lodges. Nova Scotia, for 1909, receives lengthy notice, many of the official rulings of Grand Master Smith being quoted in full, but without comment which is unkind for it leaves us in doubt whether the Reviewer concurs or otherwise.

We most graciously accept his explanation about "Canadian Work", and can only add we wish there was a uniform "Canadian Work" from the rock bound coast of the Atlantic to the blue waters of the Pacific. But never heed even that may come in time without effecting the Ancient Landmarks of the Fraternity.

M. W. Bro. Rev. A. B. Tate, Qu'Appelle, Grand Master.

R. W. Bro. John M. Shaw, M. D., Regina, Grand Secretary

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## SOUTH AUSTRALIA—1910.

A Special Communication of Grand Lodge was held on 4th October, 1909, in Freemason's Hall, for the purpose of considering the necessary steps to be taken to fill the vacancy in the office of Grand Secretary caused by the death of V. W. Bro. J. H. Cunningham, who died September 19th, 1909, aged 72 years.

After the Grand Master, M. W. Bro. The Right Honorable Sir S. J. Way, Bart., had made some feeling and appropriate remarks about the distinguished deceased he announced that a Lodge of Sorrow would be held on the 17th day of October, to which the Craft were invited. At this communication eleven brethern were nominated to fill the office of Grand Secretary but the election was deferred.

The Lodge of Sorrow was held as announced which was largely attended and presided over by the M. W. Grand Master. A very interesting address or oration was delivered by R. W. Bro. Eustace B. Grundy, P. D. G. M., who gave an account of the Masonic history of the late Brother Cunningham who was the first Grand Secretary of this jurisdiction

holding office from April 1884 to September 1909, the time of his death, twenty five years.

At the half yearly communication held on the 20th October, 1909, after an exhaustive ballot, R. W. Bro. C. R. J. Glover, D. G. M. was elected Grand Secretary whereupon he at once resigned the office of Deputy Grand Master and was invested as Grand Secretary by the Grand Master.

The Annual Communication was held in Freemason's Hall, Adelaide, on 20th April, 1910, His Excellency, the Grand Master, on the throne. Election of officers took place when the Grand Master was re-elected, and duly proclaimed by the G. D. of Ceremonies. The other officers were elected in like manner and, apparently, without opposition. Quite a contrast with the elections in our own Grand Lodge. The Board of General Purposes made an exhaustive report by which we learn that a gratuity of £100, was granted to the widow of the late Grand Secretary, a very nice act: that the Benevolent Fund of Grand Lodge amounted to £2,699, 15s, 6d, that during the year indigent Masons and Widows of Masons to the nnmber of twenty seven had received relief to the extent of £520, 5s: that from the General Grand Lodge Fund petitioners had been relieved to the amount of £176, and that £31 had been donated to Charitable institutions. In addition £100 was voted the Grand Orient of Italy for the relief of sufferers from the earthquake in Sicily, and other amounts donated towards charitable purposes. Grand work.

The total number of lodges as reported is 53, showing an increase of three during the year, while the membership is 3,593, an increase of 239.

The new Grand Secretary, R. W. Bro. C. R. J. Glover presented the report on Foreign Correspondence. In an

unusually brief manner, in thirty six pages, he reviews the Proceedings of some seventy Sister Grand Lodges, Nova Scotia for 1908 being accorded a scant third of a page. "Small favours thankfully received, larger ones in proportion".

M. W. Bro. Sir Samuel J. Way, Bart., Adelaide, Grand Master.

R. W. Bro. Charles R. J. Glover, Adelaide, Grand Secretary.

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## SOUTH CAROLINA—1909.

The Proceedings of the One Hundred and Thirty-third Annual Communication of the M. W. Grand Lodge, A. F. & A. M. of South Carolina comes to hand in a neatly bound volume of 350 pages.

It is one of the most complete reports that it has been our pleasure to read, and we can only regret that owing to the continued illness of the Grand Secretary, R. W. Bro. Jacob T. Barron, there is no report on Foreign Correspondence.

The Communication was held in the Masonic Temple in the City of Charleston and opened at 12 o'clock meridian, on Tuesday, December 14th, 1909.

The Grand Master in his address takes up the various matters requiring attention, and deals with them fully and in an able manner.

After suitable reference to the Fraternal Dead, he passes on to the old question of "Physical Qualification," and urges Grand Lodge to take this question up and deal with it in a way that will bring them more in line with other Jurisdictions.

The Order is reported in a generally prosperous condition, although definite reports are not given by some of his Deputies.

Lengthy reference is made to the meeting at Philadelphia in June, 1909, of the Grand Masters (or their representatives) of fifteen Jurisdictions for a conference as to how best to reconcile the differences existing in the several Jurisdictions.

Many dispensations were granted, several to confer degrees within the constitutional time, but all applications to raise more than five candidates at the same Communication were refused.

Four dispensations were issued to form new Lodges, and seven Lodges constituted during the year.

The Committee appointed to submit an amendment to the Grand Lodge Constitution "with the view of relaxing the physical qualifications of applicants for the degrees of Masonry," reported that they were unable to agree and asked to be discharged, and South Carolina is bound another year to the "fetish" of "Perfect Manhood" since an amendment subsequently offered goes over to the next Annual Convention for consideration.

The Committee on Jurisprudence recommended an amendment, as follows :—

"Upon receiving the M. M. Degree the newly made brother becomes a member of the Lodge which elects him."

This would certainly overcome the difficulties met by Lodges when it is necessary that before becoming a member the newly made M. M. must sign the Constitution and By-laws.

The Treasurer of the Masonic Home reported on hand on November 30th, 1909, the sum of $33,434.64, being an increase of $10,379.56 in less than a year.

M. W. Bro. Jas. R. Johnson, Charleston, S. C., Grand Master.

R. W. Bro. Jacob T. Barron, Columbia, S. C., Grand Secretary.

It is with a feeling of sadness that we refer to the death of the Grand Secretary, R. W. Bro. Barron which took place at Columbia, September 20th, 1910, and we cannot do better than quote in part the remarks of another in referring to the sad event:—

"Ripe in years, rich in experience, with a devoted household, and a host of loving friends, full of honors that were most worthily borne and added to by the personality of the wearer, it is no mere matter of duty that calls for deep-seated expressions of regret at the taking away of one so gifted, so genial, so lovable.

It is not only his own state that has sustained a loss * * * But he has not lived in vain, for he has made a standard of manliness and uprightness that has left its impress on all with whom he was brought in contact."

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## SOUTH DAKOTA—1909.

The Thirty-fifth Annual Communication of the Grand Lodge of South Dakota A. F. & A. M., was opened in Ample Form in the Masonic Hall, City of Watertown, Tuesday, June 8th, 1909, M. W. Bro. Joseph J. Davenport, Grand Master presiding.

Three Emergent Communications had been held during the year; two for the purpose of laying Corner-stones and one to dedicate a beautiful Masonic Temple just completed at Redfield.

A pleasant feature of the Annual Communication was an address of welcome by the Mayor of Watertown (himself a brother Mason) to which the Grand Orator responded.

Nova Scotia was not one of the twenty-six Grand Jurisdictions represented at this Communication.

The address of the Grand Master is short and business-like. No words are wasted and yet all matters receive proper attention. In welcoming the members of Grand Lodge he refers to the objects of "True Masonry" as the practice of Universal Morality and all the virtues—"the ideal Mason is a full grown man, patriotic, intelligent, reverend, devoted to home, alert to business and an unfailing friend—always found on the side of his country, his race, his God".

Gratitude is expressed to a kind Providence that the ranks of Grand Lodge had not been invaded by death, and sympathy expressed for the losses sustained by other jurisdictions.

Four dispensations were granted during the year for new Lodges, while the following referring to dispensations refused might be considered with profit by some other jurisdictions:

"Many applications have been made to confer degrees out of time but none were granted. In no case when the Lodge desired to confer the degrees out of time would the applicant be deprived of receiving the same at the place where he was going."

Only three decisions are quoted, one of which was as follows:—

"Where is a brother's membership, he having received the Entered Apprentice and Fellow Craft in one Lodge and the Master Mason's degree and signed the by-laws in a Second Lodge?

Answer—The brother belongs to the Lodge where he took the Master's degree and signed the by-laws."

This decision was a surprise, but we find that Grand Lodge reversed it on the report of the Jurisprudence Committee, as follows :—

"A Lodge which elects a candidate and confers the E. A. and Fellow Craft degrees on him retains its Jurisdiction until it is officially waived."

The Grand Master recommends the dividing of the State into districts and the appointment of Deputy Grand Lecturers for each district to hold Lodges of Instruction.

The reports of the Grand Treasurer and Grand Secretary show Freemasonry to be in a healthy and prosperous condition. The brethren are warned against clandestine Lodges one of which has recently been organized in Lead City.

A Committee of three was appointed to prepared a Ritual for use in this Grand Jurisdiction.

The Proceedings of sixty-seven Grand Lodges are ably reviewed, Nova Scotia for 1908 being among the number.

Like many other reviewers he is surprised that our Grand Master should decide "that Wardens of a Lodge cannot confer degrees in the absence of the Master." Neither can they do it if the Master is present. This is Masonic law in Nova Scotia.

Again he questions the wisdom of "not allowing an applicant for affiliation to withdraw his petition." But why these applications should be treated differently from others he does not say.

M. W. Bro. Samuel A. Brown, Sioux Falls, Grand Master.

R. W. Bro. Geo, A. Pettigrew, Sioux Falls, Grand Secretary.

## TASMANIA—1910.

The Half-yearly Communication of the Grand Lodge of Tasmania was held at the Masonic Hall, Hobart, August 27th, 1909, R. W. Bro. Sir George Davies, K. C. M. G., M. H. A., Deputy Grand Master, presiding. Representatives of nine Lodges answered Roll Call. The D. G. M. delivered a brief but interesting address in which, among other things, he refers to the fact that just prior to the departure of the Grand Master, M. W. Bro. Hon. C. E. Davies, M. L. C., to attend a Press Conference in England in June, 1909, and on the eve of his marriage he was the recipient from the members of Grand Lodge of a very handsome present to commemorate the event. He also alludes to the fact that in passing through Canada the Grand Master became acquainted with some distinguished members of the Craft in this Dominion. And to mark the true Brotherhood of Masonry the Deputy refers at length to the kindly manner in which one of their members was treated during his illness in Canada by the brethren of the Craft and, who furnished the money, some $600.00, to defray the expenses of sending the widow (the brother having died) and his two small children home. As a matter of course the money has since been refunded, but, nevertheless, the kind action of the Canadian Brethren is noted and most favourably commented on.

The Annual Communication was held at Hobart on 24th of February, 1910, when the Grand Master presided, and a large number of the Masters, Past Masters and Wardens of the Subordinate Lodges were in attendance. The Board of General Purposes submitted their report in which special reference is made to the return of the M. W. Grand Master,

Hon. C. E. Davies. Reports were also received from the Board of Benevolence, in which it is stated that during the year the widows of six deceased brethren and two members have been permanently relieved, while the education of three children of deceased members has been attended to. The Pro-Grand Master, Bro. R. J. Sadler, gives an account of his stewardship dealing with purely local matters. A very full and carefully prepared report from the Grand Inspectors of Lodges shows good work well done.

After the re-election of M. W. Bro. the Hon. C. E. Davies as Grand Master, and the re.appointment by him of M. W. Bro. R. J. Sadler, M. H. A., as Pro-Grand Master and Sir G. Davies, K. C. M. G., as Deputy Grand Master, congratulations from the Representative of Sister Jurisdictions were in order, R. W. Bro. H. L. D'Emden responding for Nova Scotia.

The greater part of the Grand Master's address, delivered at this Communication, is devoted to a full and graphic description of his trip to England, which proved most enjoyable.

Following the close of Grand Lodge a grand banquet was held which was largely attended and the best of good fellowship prevailed.

Total number of members, December 31st, 1909, was 1,410, showing a slight increase over the preceding year. No Correspondence report.

M. W. Bro. Hon. C. E. Davies, M. L. C., Hobart, Grand Master.

V. W. Bro. John Hamilton, Hobart, Grand Secretary.

## TENNESSEE—1910.

The ninety-sixth Annual Communication of the Grand Lodge of Tennessee, was opened at the Theatre Vendome in the city of Nashville, on Wednesday, January 26th, 1910.

M. W. Bro. Edward K. Backman, Grand Master presiding supported by a full staff of Grand Officers, and seventeen Past Grand Masters, and many other Past Grand Officers.

The Grand Master's address, which is a very excellent one, covers the various official duties, which claimed his attention during the year.

His tribute to the memory of Past Grand Master Emund Preston McQueen, is beautifully expressed. His references to those in his own, and other Jurisdictions, who had obeyed the last call were well timed and sympathetic.

Seven new lodges were constituted during the year, and Dispensations granted for the formation of three new lodges.

Corner stones were laid with Masonic Ceremonies of one College, Two Schools, Four Churches, Two Masonic Halls, One Scottish Rite Cathedral and One Post Office.

The Grand Master was flooded with requests for official rulings, nearly all them being answered by reference to the Code.

From the reports of the Grand Secretary, and Grand Treasurer, we learn that Grand Lodge is in a most prosperous conditions, financially and otherwise.

The report of the Board of Control, of the Masonic Widows and Orphans Home is most interesting. There were in the Home, January 11th, 1910.

Ladies.....30
Boys.....54
Girls.....55

Besides the Superintendents family of five, and three teachers: Total 147, average attendance 143, with current expenses for the year, $15,944.43.

Average cost for year, for each person $111.50, including improvements.

Deducting $2,710.88 spent for improvements, the average cost of mantainence of each person, for the year was $92.54.

A site has been purchased for a new Masonic Temple, which no doubt will be a magnificant structure, one worthy of the fraternity in Tennessee.

The edicts of Grand Lodge, numbering 66 amended to 1910, are published in the proceedings under review, and are most useful for reference by Masters of Lodges, and in fact by all members of the Craft.

The Committee on Correspondence, fraternally refers to the proceedings of our Grand Lodge for 1909.

Lodge, 446; Members, 23,835; Gain, 1058.

Grand Master, M. W. Bro. Chas. H. Byrn, Murfreesboro.

Grand Secretary, R. W. Bro. John B. Garrett, Nashville.

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## UTAH—1910.

A pleasing portrait of M. W. Bro. Charles B. Jack, Grand Master for the current year graces the opening page of the proceedings of the Grand Lodge of Utah for 1910.

The Thirty-ninth Annual Communication of Grand Lodge was held in the Masonic Temple at the City of Ogden on Tuesday, January 18th, 1910.

M. W. Bro. Fred C. Schramon, Grand Master presided with a full staff of Grand Officers and supported by Ten Past Grand Masters and other Past Grand Officers.

Thirty four Sister Grand Lodges were represented, including Nova Scotia, by M. W. Bro. A. Scott Chapman.

An address of welcome to Grand Lodge was delivered by Bro. Birt G. Blackman, W. M. of Weber Lodge, No. 6, Ogden. The Grand Master suitably responded.

M. W. Bro. F. S. King, P. G. M., of the Grand Lodge of Wyoming was introduced with Grand Honors and cordially welcomed by the Grand Master.

The Grand Master delivered a very fine address giving in concise form a synopsis of the many official duties he was called upon to perform during the year.

Under the head of Foreign Relations he says:

"Petitions for recognition have been received from the Grand Lodges of Oklahoma, San Salvador, and Nicaragua".

The committee to whom these petitions were referred subsequently reported, recommending that for the present the request of the Grand Lodges of San Salvador and Nicaragua be not complied with.

The Committee recommended that as the Grand Lodge of Oklahoma has been already recognized by this Grand Lodge, the said recognition be continued now that the Grand Lodge of Indian Territory hasbecome amalgamated with it.

The report was unanimously adopted.

The Grand Secretary submitted a comprehensive report which shows that Grand Lodge is in a prosperous condition.

The portrait of the veteran Grand Secretary M. W. Bro. Christopher Diehl graces the page preceding the report on Correspondence, and we must congratulate him upon his youthful appearance, considering his length of service as Grand Secretary which we find extends back to 1872.

His report on Correspondence is an excellent one, giving in a pleasing way an outline of the doings of fifty-five Sister Grand Lodges covering eighty seven pages of the printed proceedings. Nova Scotia receives courteous attention.

Lodges 14. Members 1638. Gain 114.

M. W. Bro. Charles Bruerton Jack, Grand Master, Salt Lake City.

R. W. Bro. Christopher Diehl, Grand Secretary, Salt Lake City.

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## VERMONT—1909.

The 116th Annual Communication of the Grand Lodge of Vermnot was held in the Masonic Temple, City of Burlington, on Wednesday, June 9, 1909.

M. W. Bro. Lee S. Tillotson, Grand Master, presiding, supported by a full staff of Grand Officers and seven Past Grand Masters and many other Past Grand Officers. 91 Subordinate Lodges were represented. Representatives of thirty Sister Lodges were in attendance. Nova Scotia was again unrepresented.

The Grand Master's address is an excellent one, covering the many official duties he was called upon to attend to during the year, and goes quite fully into the question of "making Masons at sight," as in the case of the Grand Master of Ohio, making William Howard Taft, President of the United States, a Mason at sight in the Scottish Rite Cathedral, in the City of Cincinnati, on the 19th February, 1909.

He also deplores the strained relations existing between the Grand Lodges of Mississippi and New Jersey over the "Negro Question."

He gives a very interesting account of the celebration of the 175 anniversary of St. John's Lodge, Boston, held in that city October 4th, 5th and 6th, 1908. As the writer was present at the various functions mentioned, the account is particularly interesting to him.

He also goes into the question of Spurious or Clandestine Masonry at considerable length, and suggested the enactment of a law requiring strangers desirous of visiting Lodges to produce satisfactory documentary evidence of good standing in the Lodges from which they hail. This is the law in force in this Jurisdiction. Fortunately there is not in the Dominion of Canada a single clandestine Lodge in existence, while in some Jurisdictions in the neighboring Republic they can be counted by the dozen.

The Grand Master granted several Dispensations for the usual variety of purposes.

He was asked for thirteen official rulings which were mostly of local bearing and calls for no comment at our hands.

Special Communications of Grand Lodge were held during the year for the purpose of paying respect to the mortal remains of R. W. Bro. Warren G. Reynolds, Past Grand Secretary, and Worshipful Bro. Chilo L. Soule, Past Grand Senior Deacon.

From the reports of the Grand Secretary and Grand Treasurer we find that Grand Lodge is in a most prosperous condition.

The report on Correspondence submitted by M. W. Bro. Marsh O. Perkins, P. G. M., it is needless to say, is an excellent one, just such a one as might be expected from the experienced pen of Bro. Perkins.

He reviews with nice discrimination the Proceedings of sixty-three Sister Grand Lodges including that of our own Grand Lodge for 1808, which receives most fraternal attention covering nearly three pages.

Lodges, 104; members, 12,602; gain, 258.

M. W. Bro. Lee S. Tillotson, St. Albans, Grand Master.

R. W. Bro. Henry H. Ross, Burlington, Grand Secretary,

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## VICTORIA, (Australia)—1909.

At the quarterly Communication of this Grand Lodge, held in the city of Melbourne, on 17th, March, 1909.

M. W. Bro. George E. Emery, Grand Master presided.

The attendance was quite large including, Sir A. G. Peacock, Past Grand Master, and many other Past Grand Officers. Our Grand Lodge was represented by V. W. Bro. C. H. Bailey.

The Grand Secretary submitted report for the past year, an increase of membership over the preceding year of 536. and an increase of Funds, for the same period of £2,160.19.1. i. e. Benevolent Fund, £2198.8.3. The General Fund showing a shortage of £37.9.2.

Amount expended in Benevolence during the year 1908, £985.8.6. against £1424.7.3. the previous year.

Amount at Credit of Benevolent Fund, 31st. December, 1908, £16.871.5.11.

Amount at Credit of General Fund, same date, £1853.13.3.

The Grand Master elect, His Excellency Sir Thomas D, Gibson-Carmichael, Governor of the State of Victoria, whose

election took place at the quarterly meeting last December, was installed at this meeting, the installing officer being M. W. Bro. Sir Samuel J. Way, Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of South Australia, whose address on the occasion was most interesting, among other interesting things he said:

"This is the third time I have had the honour, of taking part in this spacious hall at an installation of a Grand Master of this Grand Lodge. Each of three occasions has had an historical significance. Twenty years ago I assisted Lord Carrington, Grand Master of New South Wales, at what will always be remembered as the greatest event in Masonic annals in Victoria—the installation of Sir William Clarke as the first Grand Master of the whole Craft in this State. Up to that time Sir William was District and Provincial Grand Master of the Lodges bearing allegiance to the English, Scottish and Irish Constitutions. When, as Grand Master of the uniting bodies, he was placed on the throne, M. W. G. M., which you now occupy, the Grand Lodge of Victoria became one of the independent sovereign Grand Lodges of the world.

The Second Quarterly Communication was held on the 16th, June 1909, M. W. Bro. Sir T. D. Graham Carmichael, Grand Master presided, the attendance was as usual very good.

The Third Quarterly Communication was held 15th, September 1909, M. W. Bro. Sir T. D. Graham-Carmichael, Grand Master presided. Reports of various committees submitted and disposed of.

The fourth Quarterly Communication was held on the 15th, December.

The M. W. the Grand Master, being unavoidably absent, M. W. Bro. George E. Emery, P. G. M. presided.

Much regret was expressed for R. W. Bro. John Braim, Grand Secretary who was seriously ill, and in consequence was absent, for the first time from a Grand Lodge meeting, for fifteen years, a letter of sympathy was ordered to be sent to Bro. Braim from the officers and members of Grand Lodge.

## VISIT OF LORD KITCHENER.

"The M. W. Pro Grand Master reminded the brethren that a great Freemason and distinguished soldier was about to visit the State in the person of the Right Hon. Field Marshal Viscount Kitchener, who was a Past District Grand Master of Egypt and the Soudan, and also of the Punjab. Owing to the shortness of his visit, it had been found impossible to tender his Lordship a dinner or reception, but the Board of General purposes, would no doubt take the matter in hand, and arrange for an address of welcome to be presented to him."

At this meeting M. W. Bro. Thomas D. Graham-Carmichael was unanimously re-elected Grand Master for the ensuing year.

The Board of General Purposes submitted a Comprehensive report, mentioning particularly the great improvements, already made on the Freemasons Hall Property, and the many further improvements, alterations and additions still in progress. The report was unanimously adopted.

The Building, when the indicated improvements are completed, will, we are sure, be a handsome, and up-to-date, edefice well adapted for the purpose for which it is intended. That benevolence is a prominent characteristic of our Victoria Brethren the following figures shows.

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| March | Quarter | 258 | 10 | 0 |
| June | " | 149 | 12 | 0 |
| September | " | 378 | 14 | 0 |
| December | " | 201 | 8 | 6 |
| | | £988 | 3 | 6 |

Grand Master, M. W. Bro. Sir T. D. Graham-Carmichael, Melbourne.

Grand Secretary, R. W. Bro. John Brain, Melbourne.

## VIRGINIA—1910.

A pleasing portrait of M. W. Bro. W. B. McChesney, Grand Master for the ensuing year graces the opening page of the Grand Lodge of Virginia for the year ending February 1910.

The 132nd Annual Communication of Grand Lodge was held in the Masonic Temple, City of Richmond on Tuesday, February 8, 1910.

M. W. Bro. Joseph W. Eggleston, Grand Master, presided.

The attendance was large including seven Past Grand Masters, Representatives of thirty-five Sister Grand Lodges (the M. W. the Grand Master representing Nova Scotia) were present.

M. W. Brethren Dana J. Flanders Grand Master of Massachusetts, Thomas Shryrock, Grand Master of Maryland, Thomas J. Day, Past Grand Master of Delaware and R. W. Bro. Frank T. Barron, Deputy Grand Master of Massachusetts were introduced and cordially welcomed by the Grand Master.

The Grand Master delivered an excellent and interesting address covering twenty four pages of the printed proceedings, touching upon the very many official duties which he was called to attend to during the year. His reference to the fraternal dead of his own and other Jurisdictions are couched in most appropriate words. He pays a loving tribute to the memory of Past Grand Master Kosciusco Kemper, who died in Washington, D. C., where he latterly resided, on the 26th January, 1910.

The Grand Master was called upon for a goodly number of Official rulings, all of them of local import.

Corner stones of several buildings were laid with Masonic Ceremonies, some of them under the auspices of Subordinate Lodges, this is never done in our jurisdiction.

Dispensations were granted for the formation of eleven new Lodges one Charter was arrested.

The Grand Master speaks enthusiastically of the Masonic Home and its admirable management and good work.

Freemasonry in Virginia is in a most flourishing condition financially and otherwise as a perusal of the reports of Grand Secretary and Grand Treasurer clearly show.

The report on Correspondence coming from the facile pen of M. W. Bro. Eggleston is as one might reasonably expect, an admirable one, giving the reader a very good idea of what is being done in furtherance of the Principles of the Craft in the sixty one Jurisdictions the proceedings of which he has so ably reviewed.

Our Grand Lodge receives most fraternal attention and the writer some compliments which he feels that he is scarcely entitled to, but he thanks Bro. Eggleston all the same, assuring him that the pleasure of meeting him in Boston at the Celebration of the 175th Anniversary of St. Johns Lodge is still fresh in his memory.

Lodges 312 ; Members 20,638 ; Gain 1049.

M. W. Bro. Wm. B. McChesney, Grand Master, Staunton.

R. W. Bro. Geo. W. Carrington, Grand Secretary, Richmond.

## WESTERN AUSTRALIA—1910.

The volume of Proceedings of this Grand Lodge for the year ending 31st March, 1910, has as a frontispiece a striking likeness of M. W. Bro. Right Reverend C. O. L. Riley, D.D., Lord Bishop of Perth, Grand Master.

The Grand Lodge of Western Australia like the Grand Lodge of England and other Australian Grand Lodges hold Quarterly Communications. We must confess that we have a preference for the system adopted in America, both the United States and the Dominion of Canada, viz.,—Annual Communications.

The First Quarterly Communication was held in Masonic Hall, Kargoorlie, on Thursday, July 29. 1909.

M. W. Bro. The Lord Bishop of Perth, Grand Master, presided, and delivered a very practical address, touching upon many subjects of interest to the Craft. Twenty dispensations were granted during the preceding quarter for the usual variety of purposes.

The Board of General Purposes, which appears to be the governing body in this, as in other Australian Jurisdictions, submitted report of its doings during the quarter, which was adopted.

The Board of Benevolence also submitted report showing that relief had been granted to the extent of £77.2.0 during the quarter.

The Second Quarterly Communication was held in Freemasons' Hall, Perth, on Thursday, October 28th, 1909.

M. W. Bro. The Lord Bishop of Perth, Grand Master, presided, and as usual delivered an excellent address reciting

the various official duties claiming his attention during the quarter.

The Board of General Purposes and Board of Benevolence also submitted reports, the latter showing an expenditure of £101.5.0 in relieving nineteen persons during the quarter.

The Third Quarterly Communication was held in Perth on Thursday, January 27th, 1910.

The M. W. the Grand Master presiding. In his address he mentioned the fact that two days ago he had the pleasure on behalf of Grand Lodge of welcoming to our Temple that distinguished Soldier and Freemason—Lord Kitchener—who expressed himself highly pleased with what he saw, and congratulated Grand Lodge upon the magnificence of its Headquarters and regretted that important engagements prevented his remaining for this Communication

In addition to his brilliant record as a soldier, Lord Kitchener has a fine Masonic record. He was made a Past Grand Warden of England in 1897, District Grand Master of Egypt and the Soudan in 1899, and District Grand Master of the Punjaub in 1902, which position he holds at the present time.

The Board of General Purposes submitted their report with many suggestions, all having the welfare of the Craft in view.

The disbursements by the Board of Benevolence during the quarter amounted to £77.3.0.

At this meeting the Right Reverend Charles Owen Leaver Riley, Lord Bishop of Perth, was elected for the seventh term, Most Worshipful Grand Master.

The Annual Meeting of Grand Lodge was held in Freemasons' Hall, Perth, on Thursday, April 28th, 1910.

M. W. Bro. Rt. Rev. C. O. L. Riley, Grand Master, presided, and delivered a very fine address, giving in concise form a resume of his official acts during the year. He visited many of the Subordinate Lodges. He congratuated Grand Lodge upon its growth and prosperity, remarking that just ten years ago Grand Lodge was formed with 33 Lodges and a membership of 2,000. Today there are 85 Lodges with a membership of 3,687. The financial condition is thus referred to:—

"The financial position of Grand Lodge continues to show steady improvement. The balance to the credit of the General Fund is now £4,368; the Fund of Benevolence, £3,265; Widows', Orphans' and Aged Freemasons' Fund, £3,133; Freemasons' Hall Account, £13,189; making altogether £23,957—a net increase of £1481 on the figures of last year. In connection with the finances, there is again great cause for congratulation in the fact *that for the eighth year in succession there is not a single working Lodge in arrear*, and I would again ask where such another record is to be found."

The report of the five Inspectors of Workings show that great interest in Masonry has been in evidence during the year throughout the Jurisdiction, and further show that those officers did good and faithful services, their duties are similar to those of our District Deputy Grand Master.

The Board of Benevolence report an expenditure of £88.15.0. in relieving 16 persons. Amount expended during the year being £426.6.0 which goes to show that our Western Australian Brethren know how to be charitable and put that knowledge into practice.

The Board of Management of the Widows', Orphans' and Aged Freemasons' Fund submitted annual report with the following particulars of grants made:—

1. A brother, 79 years of age, £26 per annum.

2. Two orphans (a boy aged 10 and a girl aged 6) £30 per annum.

3. A widow, aged 57, £30 per annum.

In each case where a grant or annuity is authorized a guardian is appointed to see that the relief is worthily bestowed, and they report periodically to the Board.

We cannot help quoting the following paragraph from the report :—

"With regard to the contributions received during the past year, the Board has every reason to congratulate Grand Lodge upon the hearty and generous response of its Lodges to the calls made upon them on behalf of this deserving charity. The year is a record one for Lodge donations, and this being so at a time when a certain depression has hung over the State, is a result of which one and all should be proud. A perusal of the balance-sheet will show that one Lodge responded with £50, another gave £46, a third £36, and four others amounts of £20 and over. The capital of the Fund is now £3,133, every penny of which is earning interest—a fine result of four years' work in a Masonic community so small as our own."

The Grand Master was installed by M. W. Bro. Dr. J. W. Hackett, Past Grand Master, with very imposing ceremonies; the other Grand Officers were proclaimed and invested.

Representatives of 28 Sister Grand Lodges were presented to the Grand Master, V. W. Bro. T. J. Hardwick, representing our Jurisdiction, being among the number.

Grand Lodge was closed in Ample Form at 7.45, p. m. Afterwards the Grand Anniversary Festival was held in the Banqueting Hall, and a few hours happily spent.

The Committee on Foreign Correspondence submitted an excellent report, covering 155 pages of the printed Pro-

ceedings, containing a review of the Proceedings of sixty Sister Grand Lodges, Nova Scotia not being one of them.

M. W. Bro. Right Rev. C. O. L. Riley, Lord Bishop of Perth, Grand Master.

R. W. Bro. J. D. Stevenson, Grand Secretary.

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## WEST VIRGINIA—1909,

A fine portrait of the fine looking Grand Master (M. W. Bro. Frank Wells Clark) for 1909-10, from a pleasing frontspiece to the volume of proceedings, of the Grand Lodge of West Virginia, for the year ending, Nov. 1909.

Special Communication of Grand Lodge, were held for the following purposes. Laying the Corner Stones, of Three Public Schools, Eight Churches, Two Masonic Halls, One Court House, and the unveiling and dedicating the Monuument erected by the State, and the United States government, at Point Pleasant, in Commemoration of the Battle between the Indians and the Whites, at that place, October 10th, 1774.

The ceremony on this occasion was a most elaborate one, and speeches or rather orations, were delivered by several eminent Brethren and citizens, all of absorbing interest, which given in full covers more than ten pages of the printed proceedings.

The Fifty-fifth Annual Communication, was held in the Scottish Rite Cathedral, at the City of Wheeling, beginning on Wednesday, the 10th day of November, 1909, at 7.30 o'clock, p. m.

M. W. Bro. Emmet M. Showalter, Grand Master, presided. The attendance was very large, including a full staff

of Grand Officers, eleven Past Grand Masters and Representatives of thiry-six Sister Grand Lodges, Bro. Charles G. Johnson, Nova Scotia's Representative being among the absentees.

The Grand Master delivered a capital address giving a general outline of the very many official duties falling to his lot during the year. While expressing gratitude to the Most High for preserving the members of Grand Lodge from the inroad of the grim reaper, he regretfully said many other Grand Lodges had been called upon to exclaim "The Lord gave and the Lord has taken away," and to the memory of the departed ones he paid a loving tribute.

The Grand Master was called upon for a great many dispensations and granted quite a number of them, also refused a number, and justly so too. We will mention but one of those refused and give his own words fn reference thereto:—

"I received during the year requests from five Lodges for special dispen-ations permitting them to attend church as Lodges, all of which I declined to grant. I trust my motive has not been misconstrued. Personally, I attend church regularly, and would be glad if all my brethren did likewise I might go even further and recommend a particular church for you to attend; but this should be done as an individual and not as a Mason. The fewer dispensations that are granted, the closer we will stick to the ancient charges. Attending church services is not a Masonic function; if it were a special dispensation would not be necessary. Masonry as an institution knows no creed or church denomination and to recognize or acknowledge one to the exclusion of others is subversive of the principles upon which our fabric is builded. The great majority of our brethren in this Jnrisdiction would be shocked were we to issue a dispensation to attend service in a Jewish Synagogue, and yet it would be as much our duty to grant such permission, on request, as to grant the same permission to attend a Methodist or Presbyterian service."

The Grand Master was called upon for and gave 38 rulings. He very aptly says: "I do not by any means dignify all these answers as rulings or decisions."

From the account given by the Grand Master of the Conference of Grand Masters held in Philadelphia in January last it is easily seen that the gathering was a notable one, the Conference composed of such brilliant men, such eminent Masonic Jurists cannot help being of lasting benefit to the Craft. The visiting Grand Masters were royally entertained by their Pennsylvanian Brethern.

The reports submitted by the Grand Treasurer and Grand Secretary show that Grand Lodge is in a most prosperous condition.

The Standing Resolution regarding Grand Representatives is practically identical with that in force in this jurisdiction. Any Representative who absents himself from the Annual Communications of the Grand Lodge to which he is accredited, for three consecutive years shall thereby forfeit his appointment.

The Grand Lodge of Oklahoma of the State of Oklahoma, (the combined Grand Lodge of Indian Territory and the Grand Lodge of Oklahoma Territory) received fraternal recognition and a cordial welcome into the Sisterhood of Grand Lodges.

The report on Foreign Correspondence submitted by M. W. Bro. H. R. Howard, P. G. M., is an admirable and comprehensive one covering 242 pages of the printed proceedings giving the reader an excellent idea of what is being done in sixty two other Grand Jurisdictions. Our little Grand Lodge is favoured with a very fraternal notice of proceedings 1908, covering three and a half pages, giving some extracts

from M. W. Bro. Smith's (our then Grand Master) address, and expressed his concurrence with them. He also had a good word for the present writer which is fully appreciated.

Lodges, 142; Members, 13,185; Gain, 595.

Grand Master M. W. Bro. Frank Wells Clark, New Martinsville.

Grand Secretary M. W. Bro. Henry R. Howard, Point Pleasant.

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## WISCONSIN—1909.

The Fifty-fifth Annual Communication of the Grand Lodge of Wisconsin was opened in the Masonic Building in the City of Milwaukee on Tuesday, June 8, 1909.

M. W. Bro. James E. Durgin Grand Master presiding, supported by a full staff of Grand Officers.

In his very excellent address the Grand Master paid a loving tribute to the memory of those of his own and other Jurisdictions who had during the year been called upon to give an account of their Stewardship.

Quite a number of dispensations were granted and a goodly number refused.

Dispensations were granted for the formation of two new Lodges.

Many official rulings were asked for, but being nearly all of local import and easily answered by reference to the Constitution and Edict of Grand Lodge, comment at our hands would be of little interest.

The Grand Master was enabled to visit officially a large number of Lodges many of them never having been previously

visited by a Grand Master. Such visits cannot be otherwise than of lasting benefit to the Craft.

In response to an invitation from the Grand Master of Indiana, the Grand Master visited Vincenes Lodge No. 1, and participated in the Celebration of the One Hundreth Anniversary of the permanent introduction of Freemasonry in the Northwest Territory and was royally treated while there.

The Grand Master recommended that a Committee be appointed to provide a uniform Code of By-laws for all Lodges in the Jurisdiction. We consider the idea a most excellent one, and well worthy of imitation in our own Jurisdiction.

The Grand Master declined an invitation to participate in a Communication in the City of Cincinnatti at which a distinguished citizen was made a Mason at sight, not being in sympathy with the purpose of the Communication.

The Grand Lodge of the State of Oklahoma which now embraces the Grand Lodge of the former Indian Territory and the Grand Lodge of the former Territory of Oklahoma, received fraternal recognition.

From the report of the Grand Secretary we learn that in the Jurisdiction there are 262 Chartered Lodges and three U. D. with a membership of 24,946, a gain over preceding year of 972. Dues collected $15,459.00.

Bro. Tissero a native of the Island of Ceylon, a member of Trinity Lodge, No. 208, Davenport, Iowa, was introduced and welcomed by the Grand Master, Bro. Tissera is a well educated Christian gentleman and speaks English fluently. His address on this occasion was most interesting, showing distinctly the features and characteristics of his race.

The report on Correspondence by M. W. Bro. Aldro Jenks is as usual a most excellent one just such as one might reasonably expect from such an experienced reviewer. He reviews with care and ability the doings of other Grand Lodges covering 136 pages of the printed proceedings, Nova Scotia receives fraternal notice. He however has another slap at our time honoured practice of attending Divine Service in Church before commencing work at our Annual Communications.

In his "Conclusion" which covers three pages Bro. Jenks has something to say about "making Masons at Sight" also about the action of the Grand Lodge of Mississippi towards the Grand Lodge of New Jersey on the negro question, also about the Grand Lodge of Chile—We heartily agree with him on all three subjects.

Grand Master M. W. Bro. Alvin T. Webb, Madison.

Grand Secretary R. W. Bro. William W. Perry, Milwaukee.

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## WYOMING.—1909.

The 33rd Annual Communication of the Grand Lodge of Wyoming was held in the City of Cheyenne on the 1st and 2nd September, 1909, M. W. Bro. Marion P. Wheeler, Grand Master, presiding, supported by a full staff of Grand Officers, six Past Grand Masters, and many other Past Grand officers.

The Grand Master delivered a very good address, giving an account of the many official duties he was called upon to attend to during the year just closing. He devoted some space to a careful consideration of the blessings of social,

civil and religious liberty now enjoyed by almost every country in the world compared with that of preceding ages. He closes his remarks on the subject as follows:

I wish to say to you that in a great measure upon your shoulders and the shoulders of your associates rest the moral tone of the community in which you live; while you believe in a Supreme Being, while you believe in religion, you are separate from all sectarianism, from all dogmas, from all churches, and the communities in which you live watch you with jealous eyes; thus all Christianity and those whom you will not admit to membership, because of their moral character, are criticising you and the examble you set before them, so you see it behooves us to always remember that before all the world you are to be a just and upright citizen, just to your country, true to your government, always doing by your neighbor as you would have him do by you. The past has shown that you have done this, and the future will show that you have reached nearer to that ideal goal which all Masons hope will be the capstone to individual as well as collective effort in the advancement and uplifting of humanity.

The Grand Master paid a fitting tribute to the memory of those Brethren of his own and other jurisdictions who during the past year had been called upon to give an account of their Stewardship.

The Grand Master was called upon for and gave several rulings but none of them require comment at our hands.

The Grand Master was enabled to visit officially a large number of Lodges and found peace and harmony prevailing and good work being carried on.

On the 31st October, 1908, at a Special Communication of Grand Lodge the corner stone of a new Masonic Temple was laid at Rawlins with full Masonic ceremonies.

A few dispensations were granted one being to Initiate, Pass and Raise a candidate on the same day. How far is this from "making a Mason at sight"?

Three Lodges were constituted and dispensation granted for the formation of a new Lodge during the year.

The report of the Grand Secretary shows that Freemasonry is in a prosperous condition, the increase in membership during the year being 131, which is very good for a jurisdiction having only 28 charted Lodges with 2,400 members.

The Masonic Home Fund was increased by $1,232.50 and now stands at $2,866.50.

The Grand Lodge of Saskatchewan and Oklahoma received fraternal recognition, the latter being now composed of the Grand Lodge of Oklahoma Territory and the Grand Lodge of Indian Territory. Both territories having been constituted one State and named Oklahoma.

The report on Correspondence submitted by the Grand Secretary is an excellent one and gives in a concise way to the reader a general idea of how Masonry is progressing in some sixty-eight sister Grand Lodges. Nova Scotia receives fraternal attention.

M. W. Bro. B. H. Sage, Grand Master, Cheyenne.

R. W. Bro. W. L. KuyKendall, Grand Secretary, Saratoga.

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